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CONVICTION IN VALLEY LAND FRAUD CASE

Germany Ready To Say What She Can Pay In Reparation and How

BERLIN, March 13.—Basic principles upon which Germany is ready to resume reparations payments was outlined authoritatively to the United Press today. They are:

Appointment of commission to establish Germany's ability to pay and to fix limits to reparations.

Series of international loans, similar to those proposed by Dr. Carl Bergmann at Paris, shall be floated, and from these reparations will be paid.

Amount to be paid cannot exceed approximately thirty billion marks.

Cuno government considers ridiculous the unofficial French proposal that Germany pay two or two and a half billion marks annually for the next thirty five years.

JOHN BULL WOULD DISCUSS RUBBER EMBARGO WITH UNCLE SAM IF POSSIBLE

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., March 13.—Possibility of the British Government lifting its rubber embargo to permit a larger supply to come into the United States, and bring lower prices to American consumers of rubber products, may be discussed with President Harding by Harvey Firestone, who has invited the presidential party to be his guests at Miami.

DEFUNCT TISBO BANK IS NOW IN HANDS OF RECEIVER POLICE STOP RIOT ON BANK

NEW YORK, March 13.—The Bank and steamship agency of Vincenzo Tisbo and three brothers, Mott street, who disappeared after depositors had entrusted them with \$2,000,000, was in the hands of a receiver today.

TRIAL PROGRESSING IN COMMUNIST CASES IN MICH.

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., March 13.—The jury to try William Z. Foster, alleged radical arrested in connection with the raid on the Bridgeman communist convention last fall, near completion today. Both sides attempted to weed out jurors who may have been influenced by propaganda with which Berrien county has been flooded.

Three women and seven men were tentatively accepted by both sides when court convened.

Only a few spectators were on hand. They included most of the thirty-two men and women who will be tried later on charges of violation of the Michigan anti-syndicalist law.

"We are willing to put our case into the hands of either men or women as long as they enter the jury box unbiased by propaganda," Frank P. Walsh, defense attorney, declared.

Cotton Mill Men Praise Forward Step Being Taken By This City Campaign For New Industry

Secretary Stollenwerk of the Chamber of Commerce was in attendance at the cotton mill meeting in Dallas on Saturday which was held under the auspices of the State Chamber of Commerce and he says that there were several experienced cotton mill men present at this conference, among whom were J. T. Howard, President of the Dallas Cotton Mills and J. Perry Burrus, President of the McKinney Cotton Mills and the principal stockholder of the new cotton mill of Dallas that will be erected and conducted by the Cannon-Robert Interests.

Both of these gentlemen on being given an outline of the plan that the Mexia people are following with the Cannon-Robert people, expressed their selves as saying that Mexia was on the right track and that they saw no reason why the mill should not be a financial success. Mr. Howard has been president of the Dallas mills for many years and has made a wonderful success of the business which is the oldest cotton mill now operating in the state. He predicts a successful era for the Cotton mill industry in Texas and says there is no reason why these mills should not make a success. He stated among other things that he thought there were enough mills in Texas making flat duck and oshaburgs at the present time and thought it would be wise to manufacture some other product than these which he felt quite sure would be done.

Mr. Burrus said that one factor alone gave Texas mills considerable advantage and that was the matter of freight, that the freight rates to the New England states and return on a finished product was not less than 2c per pound which in the old days would have been considered a fair profit. Both these gentlemen said that there was no question but that the cotton raising industry was on the firmest basis of any industry in Texas, in fact, the entire civic, industrial and social life of Texas is founded on Cotton and Cotton Mill industry tending to more firmly establish the cotton raising industry and should be fostered and encouraged by every public spirited citizen, as well as prove attractive to every careful investor.

Attention is herewith again called to the meeting of the cotton mill committee and team captains at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the American Legion Hall. They are urged not to overlook this meeting and not to have any arrangement that will interfere with same and leave no stone unturned to have this matter closed up at this time.

TEXAS TABS

FORT WORTH, March 13.—Police questioned physicians today in an effort to establish the identity of an infant left with its throat cut on the doorstep of the apartment of Mrs. Edward Finn here. The baby, apparently only a few hours old, was wrapped in paper and when first discovered was thought to be a package of laundry.

BELLEVUE, March 13.—Her husband's refusal to sign some oil leases was believed by authorities today to have caused the slaying yesterday of Mrs. Edward Gullidge and her 18 months old baby at the hands of B. L. Gullidge, her father-in-law, who afterwards took his own life. Harry Budd, Mrs. Gullidge's father at whose home the shooting occurred was wounded in the hip, but will recover. Gullidge's son escaped his father's wrath by jumping over a fence and running. There is said to have been trouble in the family over some jointly owned leases.

EL PASO, March 13.—More than 3000 persons were here today for the forty-seventh annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' association which will be in session here three days. Welcome addresses and entertainment features were on the program for today.

DALLAS.—Wilbur Laherty, 9, had deeply embedded wads of cotton removed from his ears at a local hospital. "I put them there so I wouldn't hear my sister playing the piano," Wilbur told physicians in a hospital.

The World In Tabloid

Bank President Killed Self; \$400,000 Shy

CHICAGO, March 13.—Examiners today announced \$400,000 will be necessary to reestablish the Logan Square Trust & Savings Bank on a sound basis. Doors of the bank were closed Saturday after Fred W. Popp, president, killed himself. David Wiedemann Jr., vice president, missing since Popp killed himself, reappeared.

Ex-Kaiser Bill Has New Grand Son

VIENNA, March 13.—Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm is once more a grandfather. The Duchess of Brunswick, the former Emperor's only daughter, gave birth to a son early today.

Two More Irishmen Executed Today

DUBLIN, March 13.—Two Irish men were executed at Mullingar today for participation in bank robberies in County Meath.

Anti-Saloon League Must File Report

ALBANY, N. Y., March 13.—The anti-saloon league of New York is a political committee and as such should file a statement of receipts and expenditures made in connection with the 1922 primary and general election, the Supreme Court ruled here today.

Lenin Reported Seriously Ill Again

RIGA, March 13.—Premier Lenin of Russia is reported critically ill. German specialists, Doctors Forster, Guft, and Minovsky, arrived here today on their way to Moscow to attend the Bolshevik leader.

Old Landmark in Houston Burns

HOUSTON, March 13.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Harbor Hotel, one of the oldest structures in the city early today. Guests in the hotel were forced to flee clad only in flimsy night clothing. The building was a total loss due to low water pressure and the roadway gained by the fire before it was discovered. The loss was estimated at \$20,000.00.

Salesmanship Club Meets Wednesday At Noon

The following is taken from "Hot Shots," the weekly folder distributed to the members of the Salesmanship Club of this city, "advertising" the meeting which will be held at the Hurdleston hotel Wednesday at the usual luncheon hour:

Subject: The Value of Outside Advertising for Mexia.

Speakers: (4 minutes each) Herbert Jacobs, E. P. Clark, J. P. Dunaway.

10 minute speakers: G. T. Reaves, his own subject.

Amusements: Salesmanship Quartet Hot Shots

Come on, fellows; let's make it 100 or bust.

True to nature is the old proverb, "No sweat, no sweet; no pain, no gain; no mill, no meal."

The "Charity Fund" grows with each dime fine, all for a good cause. Salesmen, don't begrudge it, Dick needs it.

Each Salesman is requested to bring with him next Wednesday the following "aged" articles, 1 cabbage, 1 tomato, and several hen eggs. The quartet will be hungry during intermission.

"As an after dinner speaker Salesman McCullough is the "Cat's Whiskers;" (?)

Rule IV.

Remember Salesmen, to succeed, Don't deal in "ifs" and "buts," To get the business all you need Is common sense—and GUTS.

—Patterson.

Salesman Andrews didn't tell his joke right, the correct version: "Dear Brother, the reason why I

W. E. Stewart Gets Five Years In Federal Prison Pays \$1600 Fine and Costs

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13.—W. E. Stewart, organizer of the W. E. Stewart Land Company was today sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary for using the mails to defraud in the sale of Texas lands.

Stewart was given a concurrent sentence of five years in each of sixteen counts.

In addition he was fined \$1600. Stewart also must pay the costs in the case, approximately \$10,000.00.

AMERICA MAY NOW PARTICIPATE IN THE RICH OIL FIELDS IN MESOPOTAMIA—FABULOUSLY RICH

By A. L. BRADFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
WASHINGTON, March 13.—America has won her fight to participate in the development in the Mosul oil fields in Mesopotamia, reputed to be fabulously rich.

It was learned authoritatively today that Great Britain and France have now come forward and agreed that American oil companies shall share in the workings of the Mosul district, where the British hold a mandate.

The action on the part of the two European powers stands forth as a triumph for the American "open door" policy of equal commercial and economic opportunity for nations of all countries in the mandated regions of the Old World.

This policy, as it affects the mandated districts, was inaugurated by Former President Wilson and continued emphatically by President Harding and Secretary of State Hughes.

MILLIONS OF REAL MONEY NOW POURING INTO THE COFFERS OF UNCLE SAM

By PAUL R. MALLON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
WASHINGTON, March 13.—Four hundred million dollars will be poured into the Government coffers before midnight Thursday by income tax payers, the Treasury estimated today. As the majority of the taxes are paid in quarterly installments this means that the returns now being filed in a great eleventh hour rush will call for tax payments during the year of approximately \$1,600,000,000.

The March 15 payment is expected to be about \$20,000,000 greater than last year, thus reflecting the generally improved business last year, as compared with 1921, which was affected by the post-war slump.

LAMB RETURNS FROM AUSTIN FOR A FEW DAYS

De Witt Lamb, member of the Legislature from this district, with his family returned Monday afternoon from Austin. During the past thirty days Mrs. Lamb and children have been with Mr. Lamb and enjoyed the stay there very much. They left Austin Sunday afternoon by auto and remained over in Waco Sunday night, coming on home Monday. Mr. Lamb will be here several days this week, following which he will return to the extra session, should it be continued without any recess period.

The Limestone representative states that the 38th session of the legislature has accomplished many outstanding pieces of legislation that will mark it as one of success and one of lasting benefit to the State. He gives particular mention to the bill by Lee Rountree of Bryan, known as the Braxos Reclamation measure, and also of the measure instituting the West Texas Technological College.

He states that he will be here several days, but that his absence will not be of material disadvantage to his constituency as no more measures will be introduced after last Sunday, when he left the capitol.

In case the legislature meets in Special Session he will return to his desk the latter part of the week.

Representative Lamb states that the House worked with fine harmony with Governor Pat M. Neff and that throughout the session he did not hear a word on the floor of the house or in private conversation derogatory to the Governor. He also stated that the

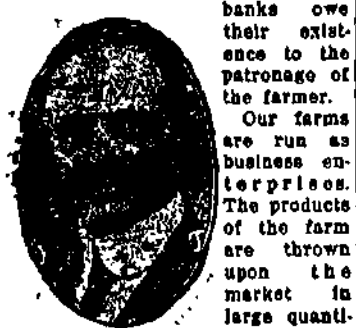
Iron steps leading to the upstairs of the Farmers State bank are being put up in the alley just off Sherman street, that will make access to the

Land Prices a Public Problem

By D. H. OTIS

Agricultural Director American Bankers' Association.

Our farmers are fast becoming a business. They do business in a business way. Our rural banks owe their existence to the patronage of the farmer.



D. H. Otis

Our farmers are run as business enterprises. The products of the farm are thrown upon the market in large quantities.

Our farmers are run as business enterprises. The products of the farm are thrown upon the market in large quantities. Land, labor and capital are the three factors involved in production. A rise in any one of these factors increases the cost of production. Land values have been rising rapidly. This means that many of our farmers have become wealthy not so much from the farm products sold from the farm but from the rise in value of land. They are enjoying what is commonly spoken of as the "unearned increment." Some day somebody will have to pay for this. If we do not then it will be our children or our children's children.

Something to Think About

It is said that only from 7 to 15 per cent of the farms of the United States are inherited. The rest must be paid for in whole or in part once with each generation. Can this be done? With increasing land values this becomes increasingly more difficult. A reasonable rate of interest on land worth \$300.00 will involve an interest or rental charge of \$15.00 to \$18.00 per acre. On land worth \$400.00 this will be from \$20.00 to \$24.00 per acre. This is a heavy load for the farmer who attempts to pay for his farm in the course of a life time. Unless this can be done it means that we are to be cursed with a permanent tenant system.

The census shows that our farm acreage has not increased near in

AMBASSADORS TO THIS NATION FACE HOME PROBLEMS

Even ambassadors in these days of the housing shortage have their rent troubles. In ante-bellum days there was an American musical comedy one of whose song hits ran something as follows:

"If a woman with five children, small,

Two parrots and a cat,

Should hunt for fourteen hours a day

For a forty-dollar flat,

With naught but sunny outside rooms,

In a neighborhood of tone,

How old would those five children be

Before they found a home?"

It was some such problem that ambassadors from smaller countries faced when they tried to establish quarters for themselves and their staffs in war time Washington.

It is bad enough to have had such house-hunting problems on one's hands but to have them bob up in greatly exaggerated form in the capitoline gossip six years after is really distressing. Yet that is just what has happened to the worthy representative of King Albert, Baron de Cartier, Belgium's ambassador to the United States.

It was early in 1917, about two days after America had decided to sit in on the European war game, that the new Ambassador arrived in Washington and began to cast about for a place to hang his hat. Fortunately he had been in London and knew what to expect in the way of rent-profiteering once a capital city had been invaded by the army of war-time office-holders, military bureaus, commissions, administrations, and what not.

With all this experience the Ambassador lost no time in picking out a house such as would become the representative of a war-improvised country, a modest sort of house, not too far from the State Department and not too far from the street car line. Ambassadors in picking their residences do not usually take into consideration such plebeian traction facilities as street car lines, but the Baron at that time had no automobile.

His first wife, an American, had died and being a widower, he did not require as elaborate an establishment as married diplomats maintained. The house at 2346 Massachusetts Avenue had to serve him not only as a residence but also as offices for his considerable staff. "The place buzzed like a beehive," said the Ambassador, "every room housed a secretary and some commission or other. I had barely room to live."

"And for it all I paid an annual rental of \$4,500 a year!"

Nobody knows just how it started but it became rumored at the capital that the Belgian ambassador was a

high liver and that the house he occupied was costing not \$4,500 a year but \$5,000 a month. And that rumor still persisted in 1923 and was duly chronicled by one of the leading newspapers of the United States, greatly to the disgust of Baron de Cartier. There are persons in Washington who would not be at all chagrined to have it thought that they were paying \$50,000 rent instead of \$4,500, but the Belgian Ambassador is not one of them.

"When my King was with the army undergoing untold hardships and dangers, when my countrymen were dying in the trenches, when Belgian civilians were deported to Germany, and, starting, should I be living in luxury? It would have been despicable. In the window of my house I hung the card of Mr. Hoover's Food Administration, pledging my support to the rules that were laid down. When the meatless and wheatless days came along I observed them all, and I was proud to do so. Under the circumstances, no gentleman could do otherwise than live simply."

Since the war, the Belgian Am-



The Right Shortening is Important

So much depends upon it. Whether your cake, your biscuits or muffins shall be light and tender, or whether they will turn out tough and soggy is often determined by the shortening you use. Mrs. Tucker's Shortening is a pure vegetable shortening. It is light and easily digested. It makes pastries and hot breads always tender and delicious.

Thousands of women are learning the satisfaction of always using a pure, dependable shortening. Mrs. Tucker's never gives a lardy taste to food. In frying, it browns food crisply and delicately. It costs no more than ordinary shortening and can be used again and again.

Be sure to get the blue pill with Mrs. Tucker's picture on it. Mrs. Tucker's Shortening is made right here in the South.

Made exclusively of choice Cotton Seed Oil. The South's own cooking fat

Mrs. Tucker's Shortening

bassador has taken a better house. He has married again, married another American lady. He has taken the position that an ambassadorship demands. He no longer rides in street cars by necessity but only by choice. There is an automobile at his disposal, but let no one dare to suggest that he ever paid sixty thousand "bucks" a year house rent in war time.

SPORT TABLOIDS.

NEW ORLEANS—As a result of too much training, Babe Ruth's ankles "have gone back on him," and Manager Huggins has ordered the big slugger to take it easier until he entirely recovered from his recent illness. Bob Meusel came to an agreement on terms leaving Herb Pennock the only player not under contract.

CLEARWATER—Dutch Reuther, hold out pitcher of the Brooklyn Robins, said he had failed to come to terms with the club, and that he was going to return to his home in Florida. He agreed to the salary offered him, but objected to the form of the contract. Commissioner Landis expects to remain here until Friday.

HOT SPRINGS—Mike Menosky Johnny Mitchell have arrived at the training camp of the Boston Red Sox. Menosky is expected to sign his contract today. Manager Chance has been unable to get in much work because of rainy weather.

ST. PETERSBURG—With the exception of Cruise and Lavan, all of the Boston Braves are in camp here or on their way. Stuffy McInnis is expected tomorrow.

SEGUIN—A seven inning practice game between the Yannigans and the regulars was planned by Kid Gleason today to groom the Chicago White Sox squad for the opening of the spring exhibition series with the New York Giants at San Antonio Saturday. Three belated arrivals, Eddie Rafferty and Roy Elsh, rookie outfielders and Harvey McClellan.

FORT WORTH—The Panthers will

"NO WORK" SIGN OUT FOR DEMPSEY

BY HENRY L. FARRELL

(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, March 13—In the three years that have passed since he won the heavyweight championship, Jack Dempsey has engaged in only three bouts.

He went through three rounds with Billy Miske, twelve rounds with Bill Brennan and four rounds with Carpenter.

It will be four years in July since Dempsey won the title at Toledo and in that time he has had the benefit of only nineteen rounds of actual fighting.

No champions in other branches of sport could remain at the top with such scattered opportunities for practice. Babe Ruth was hopelessly handicapped last year by an enforced absence of six weeks. Bill Tilden would have a terrific time to maintain his form if he could play tennis only once a year and Walter Hagen would put his game on the rocks under the same circumstances.

Whether the enforced abstinence from ring work has hurt Dempsey remains to be seen and it may be a long while before a chance comes to find out. Other fighters in the past have laid off for three years without getting off edge. It all depending on how the time was spent outside the ring.

It might be said that the long lay off didn't do Dempsey any good, but it doesn't necessarily follow that it resulted harmfully.

When he was working out in Madison Square Garden on his recent visit

to New York, the champion looked as good and perhaps better than he ever did. It is hard to get a foundation for accurate judgment in a gym, but it was strikingly apparent that Dempsey was faster on his feet, more graceful in his boxing and more accurate in his punching than he ever was before.

It is Dempsey's own business what he does with his time, but he must be taking good care of himself, because he always appears to be in such good condition. He boxed three rounds recently in the garden with Jamaica Kid, his old sparring partner from Toledo. They went like bantamweights for three full rounds and when they finished, Dempsey was hardly breathing fast. He must be in shape regardless of the rumors that are passed around about him from time to time.

Critics disagree on the benefits that results from stage boxing exhibition work. An admitted evil is the habit it sometimes develops of pulling punches. But in Dempsey's case, daily boxing on the stage for two years off and on has given him a finished style and produced general polish. It apparently has not hurt him.

Since he cannot find an opponent suited to the requirements of the New York boxing commission, Dempsey cannot engage in the actual pursuit of his profession and since he cannot fight, it stands to reason that boxing on the stage will do more to keep him on edge than chopping trees or wearing grooves in mountain sides with his feet.

good. Five candidates for berths on the team arrived yesterday and immediately repaired to the lot.

DALLAS—Having whipped the strong Federal Reserve Bank team here, 12 to 0, the Dallas Marines was preparing today to take care of more amateur raw meat when it meets S. M. U. in a pair of engagements tomorrow and Thursday afternoon.

WICHITA FALLS—Twenty men were out for the Supper's first workout yesterday, and maternal looked

TEN SPECIALS

Wednesday---Thursday

We will have other Special Prices for these Two days, but we quote you here just **TEN SPECIALS.**

The prices we name are for these two days only! Don't come Friday expecting to get advantage of these prices.



Taffetta Dresses Marked For Quick Selling

They will be on display Tuesday night in our Show Windows, values up to \$16.75; about 50 Dresses in the lot, sizes 16 to 40, and priced Wednesday and Thursday at only **\$11.95**

Crepe de Chine Gowns

—in Flesh, Maise, Orchid, and Rose; our regular \$8.50 sellers. We offer your choice of one dozen at each— **\$4.95**

Stamped Goods

For Wednesday and Thursday's showing we offer you a very complete stock of Stamped Goods, in White and Ecru, in Luncheon Sets, Scarfs, Centers, and numerous other Household Necessities. Priced— **50c to \$2.50**

Ladies Silk Hosiery

Here's something you can't afford to miss. It's a Hosiery Bargain. Women's pure thread Silk Hose, Lisle Top, in Black and Brown, one pair we feel we are giving a big value in at our regular price—\$1.25—but for these two days they go at—

79c Pair

Children's Hose

Children's Black Hose, sizes 6 to 10, Cadet make, regular price 50c pair, for Wednesday and Thursday only, 2 pair—

49c

36-inch Muslin

36-inch Long Fold Muslin that sells for 24c yard, Wednesday and Thursday, our price is 6 yards for—

98c

Children's Dresses

Children's Gingham Dresses that sold up to \$1.50 and \$1.75, a big rack full of them for, each—

98c

Spool Thread

Wednesday and Thursday we will sell you 12 spools Cotton thread, Black and White for—

39c

Limit 1 dozen to customer.

Men's Silk Ties

About 75 in the lot, Men's Silk Four-in-hand Ties that sold up to \$1. Your choice Wednesday and Thursday for—

49c

Men's Caps

Any man's cap in the house including all New Spring Patterns and Styles, for Wednesday and Thursday your choice, each—

\$1.95

Higdon-McElroy Co.
MEXIA, TEXAS.

National Theatre

TODAY AND TOMORROW

The STOLEN PAGES FROM the DIARY

JUNE 3

1922. You will never know it, Richard, but I shall love you always till I die—and if I'm still here after that—I shall go right on loving you.

When you read these pages on the screen from Laura's diary you'll have witnessed the climax of one of the greatest scenes ever screened.

CARL LAEMMLE
presents

BOOTH TARKINGTON'S

"The FLIRT"

THE GREATEST STORY OF AMERICAN LIFE EVER SCREENED

Directed by ROBERT HENLEY

UNIVERSAL JEWEL

ALSO TOPICS OF THE DAY AND NEWS

Letters from People

SCHOOLS

The following open letter of interest to all county superintendents, school boards and city superintendents has been received for publication from State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs of Austin:

Austin, Texas, March 10:

Legislation: No legislation is yet enacted which amends the school laws. Probably a number of changes will be made at this session of the Legislature but no definite information can be given at this time. The Three Million Dollar emergency appropriation was restricted to the lengthening of term only. If schools were closed before this appropriation was made it is inadvisable to reopen for one month. I am of the opinion that the money should be carried over to the credit of the districts for the support of the schools for the year 1923-1924 as we are by no means sure that the per capita apportionment for next year will exceed ten dollars. School districts that have not voted a local tax to the statutory limit of one dollar should do so before May first in order that a higher rate may be levied for the ensuing year.

Registration of Teachers for Examinations: Beginning with the April examination, teachers desiring to enter will register with the county superintendent not later than the twentieth of the preceding month. This



"The Flirt" showing at the National Theatre

will enable the county superintendent to order a sufficient number of lists of questions and also to prepare for the convenience of the number of applicants, and if there are no registrations it will not be necessary for the county board of examiners to convene. This may work an inconvenience for a few months, but eventually the plan will be heartily approved by every one who desires honest, orderly examinations.

Text Books: Requisition blanks will be mailed as soon as it is determined whether or not the old books will be continued in use. I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid cooperation given me in the matter of reporting surplus usable books. Many

books have been transferred from one county to another, thus reducing the per capita cost of text books this year.

College Entrance Examinations: College entrance examinations will be given throughout the state during the second week in May. You should write to Mr. A. W. Evans, chief high school supervisor, for full particulars. This is an opportunity for students in unclassified schools and in accredited schools, which offer subjects not yet accredited, to secure units equal in value to those given by the best high schools.

Warning Notice: Information has been received in this office that agents representing a certain standard ref-

erence work for children have been canvassing the trustees of country districts which have received state aid and insisting that the reference work must be purchased if state aid is received. This is unwarranted and you will confer a favor upon me if you will promptly give me notice of any irregularity concerning the sale of any kind of school equipment.

Radio: Allyn and Bacon, 1006 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, the publishers of Carhart and Chute's Physics, the state adopted text, will send, free on request, an additional chapter on Radio to those classes using the text book. As this subject is of current interest I suggest that you request as many copies of this pamphlet as you have students enrolled in physics.

Census: I sincerely hope that you will secure a correct census of the scholastics during this month. I shall expect the census reports to be made to this Department by the county superintendents by May first, as that was the evident intention of the law. Irregularities in taking the census will be promptly investigated. Owing to lack of funds, a sufficient supply of blanks M77 and M86 were not printed, but it is not necessary for each enumerator to have these forms. Census supplies were sent to all county superintendents and to the presidents of the school boards in all independent school districts which had more than 150 scholastics enrolled for the current year.

School Bonds: At the regular meeting on April tenth the State Board of Education will probably be able to buy all bonds of common school districts which may be offered. If you have any small issues on hand, I suggest that you inform me at once. The State Board of Education desires to aid the small district as far as practicable.

Sincerely yours,
S. M. N. MARRS,
State Superintendent.

Hello Broadway Goes Over Big At Opera House

The "Hello Broadway" Musical Comedy Company, which opened a weeks engagement at the Mexia Opera House last night is easily the best ever seen here. The opening bill was "Hello Broadway," which was very much enjoyed by the capacity houses at both performances. Besides the well connected plot of the play itself, vaudeville specialties were so numerous that it seemed almost impossible for the company to work them all in.

Scenic and electrical effects were of a class seldom attempted. Costumes lived up to the advance hearing as "The Million Dollar" show.

The principals excel anything ever seen here. Joseph Carr made a clever and handsome leading man with his rich tenor voice. Frank Hughes, blackface comedian was accorded numerous encores. Percy Daville as an English Lord was clever and rendered numerous songs in accomplished

style. Ethel Mae made a stunning ingenue lead and strongly resembled the famous picture star, Priscilla Dean. William Mifflin made a decided hit as the inebriated man from Chicago. Rena O'Neil sang her way into the hearts of the audience with her charming personality. Pearle Gray in her Oriental dance pleased immensely. Herbert Lindholm the debonair beau brummell from Broadway remembered by many old time theatre-goers is making his first appearance in Mexia. The chorus possessed excellent voices and are of a class above the average.

"The Two Thieves" with an entire change of costumes, songs and scenery will be the play today. Tomorrow, The Style Show with eleven beautiful models will be accompanied with the Elks Orchestra.

It is expected that Mexia ladies will be well represented as a Gold piece will be presented to the best looking man. One of the chorus ladies will go amongst the audience and make the selection.

Freestone Grand Jury Reports To Judge Blackmon

The following is the recent report of the Grand Jury for Freestone County:

The State of Texas, County of Freestone. In District Court, Freestone County, Texas, February Term, 1923

To the Hon. A. M. Blackmon, Judge of said Court:

Your Grand Jury impaneled at the February Term of the District Court of Freestone County, having completed our labors, beg leave to submit the following report, and ask leave to finally adjourn:

We have been in session seven days and diligently investigated all violations of the laws which have come to our attention. We have examined 101 witnesses and have returned 29 true bills, 24 of the grade of felony and 5 misdemeanors.

We have inspected the court house and the County jail. There appears to be a shortage of bed clothes to properly and comfortably take care of the unfortunate inmates of the jail. We recommend that the Commissioners' Court make more adequate provisions in this regard.

We find a general disregard of the laws requiring market men and others engaged in slaughtering cattle and hogs to keep a record of the marks and brands of cattle and hogs slaughtered and to report the same. The failure to comply with these requirements aids the thieves to cover up their crimes and in this way the officers are seriously hampered in running down offenders of this class. We call upon the citizens of this County to report to their officers such violations of this law and thus render valuable assistance in keeping down thefts of cattle and hogs.

Respectfully submitted,
J. S. NEWELL, Foreman.
W. B. WEAVER, Sec.

ADDED ATTRACTION MEXIA OPERA HOUSE WED. 8:30 P.M.



In Addition To The "Hello Broadway" Co.'s Production "Good Night London"

Mrs. W. A. Everett

Announces Her

STYLE SHOW At 8:30 P. M.

Displaying Elaborate Designs of Ladies Ready-to-Wear Garments and Millinery on Living Models

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SLAVES FORBIDDEN—WHY, NOT RUM?

"No nation would have attempted to force slave trade upon the United States after it was abolished, and our nation would not have permitted it if the attempt had been made. It is hardly likely that a slave ship sailing under another flag would have been permitted to come in and out of our ports with slaves aboard, even though the ship masters were to agree that the slaves would not be compelled to work while within the three-mile limit. Neither would pirates have been permitted to come within or enter our harbors, however solemnly they might have promised to refrain from piracy while under jurisdiction.

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"No nation that will permit its flag to protect a rum-runner lying just outside the three mile limit and plying its trade, in an outlaw business can be trusted to compel ships entering our harbors to obey our laws while within our jurisdiction."

HARDING S PLITS HIS PARTY WIDER BY LATE APPOINTMENTS

At least three of the most recent appointments of President Harding are sure to cause further dissensions in the Republican Party—Poindexter to be Ambassador to Peru; New to be Postmaster General, and Mondell to be a member of the War Finance Corporation. Poindexter and New are both Newberry Senators. Newberry and Newberryism were overwhelmingly defeated and rebuked at the polls last November, and the honest rank and file of the Republicans who voted against Newberryism in their party receive from the President only a slap in the face for the good work they did at the polls to redeem their party from the blight of Newberryism. Senator New's appointment will still further widen the factional breach in the Republican party of Indiana, but it must be said that recognition of the New faction gives less offense to the public than if the Beveridge-Watson faction had been recognized. But Indiana apparently has cast its lot in with the Democratic Party, so that "whether Roderigo kill Cassio or Cassio kill Roderigo it all makes the country's gain."

The appointment of Mondell, late Republican floor leader, to the War Finance Corporation is an affront especially to the farmers, and an approval of the worst failure as a party leader in the annals of Congress. Mondell has been the chief stumbling block to the passage of the most important agricultural legislation. He was branded by the late Col. Roosevelt as a foe of the

conservation of natural resources, to which the country is committed, and it was Mondell in collusion with "Lame Duck" Phil Campbell, Chairman of the Rules Committee, who prevented action looking to cheaper fertilizer for the farmers.

The appointment of Gen. Hines to be Director of the Veterans Bureau has stirred up the American Legion, but anyone, of course, was an improvement on Col. Forbes.

At the end of the first year of President Harding's administration, it found itself upon the rocks. At the end of the second year, it looks as if there would be little or nothing to salvage from the wreck.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS By N. P. HOUX.

We are feeling a little better, thank you, but we still see little devils and hobgoblins at night, and expect to see them for several nights yet, or until Old Flu turns us loose and quits the game of trying to freeze us out. He is a hotty old cuss, and when he gets a good grip on you it is hard to shake him off. We are living in hopes of finally succeeding, though.

An Abilene woman has proven the value of advertising. A thief broke into her home and extracted therefrom valuable jewelry. An advertisement placed in a local paper requesting return of the stolen gems with no questions asked quickly brought results. The valuables were restored intact.—Denison Herald.

Believe we will try it, so here goes. If the scoundrel (Old Flu) who purloined our appetite will please send it back we will not only ask no questions, but will also give him a nice tip.

Men have surpassed themselves in the past few years in inventing things. Man now skims through the air with all the ease of a bird. He swims under the waters of the sea with all the aplomb of a fish. He can talk to his fellowman over a distance of thousands of miles without the aid of wires. He can lie in bed on Sunday morning and listen to a good sermon without having to chip in when the collection plate is passed. He has found a substitute for nearly all the necessities of life. He hitchhikes gasoline to his disk plow and lets old Beck run riot in the pasture. Man has done all these things, and many more too numerous to mention, and still he is afflicted with the long sessions of the legislature and stands as helpless as Adam when he faces the realities of life at two o'clock in the morning. He can't invent an excuse his wife will believe.—Mineral Wells Index.

How about putting in a little time trying to invent a wife that will believe your ghost stories?

A bill introduced in the Oklahoma Legislature would require all persons engaged in newspaper work in the way of handling copy for publication to pass an examination before a state

board and be subject to a license fee of ten dollars. A law framed along similar lines to be applied to candidates for lawmaking bodies would go a great deal farther toward protecting the public from injustice and oppression sought to be avoided by the newspaper license measure.—Denison Herald.

Looks like some people engaged in the newspaper business have about all the license they need. They say about what they please, and usually get by with it whether it is the whole truth or not. Present company excepted, or course.

One trouble with the English language as she is "wrote and spoke" in this day and time is that words—which are the vehicles of thought—are so clumsily put together that they often give rise to speculation and doubt and sometimes to serious trouble. A case in point comes under our observation. Sam Miller, paragrapher of the Mineral Wells Index, a few days ago gave an expression to this cryptic declaration: "No, we do not dance. We have two good and sufficient reasons for not doing so. They are our feet." There are two things quite clearly conveyed in Mr. Miller's statement. One is that he does not dance; the other that he has two reasons for not skipping the light fantastic. It is perhaps equally clear that his two feet make up the two reasons for the deficiency in this accomplishment. But why? Therein lies the chief delinquency in Mr. Miller's statement. Are his feet too large to admit of indulgence in the terpsicorean pastime? If not, are they beset with bunions? If these two guesses are incorrect mayhaps he is pigeonholed or web-footed. But we give this guessing contest up with the suggestion to Mr. Miller that hereafter he devote more attention to clarity of statement while doing out

his daily dish of paragraphs.—Terrell Transcript.

We do not recall just what sort of feet Sam Miller has, but most any feet will do to dance the kind of steps they use nowadays. Just need a girl and the jazz band and when the music (?) starts all you have to do is to take a step forward; one backward and then side step, and just keep up the movement and you will be rated as an accomplished dancer. Folks don't dance now, they just walk to the music and mighty slow walking at that.

POWELL

Seventeen derricks are up in the Powell field and work is continuing despite light rains nearly every day. Powell is assuming the aspect of a real oil field town. New shacks are going up daily and new businesses entering the field. Carpenter work is progressing on a number of new derricks and new locations are expected to be announced by several of the companies interested in the field.

The Kenner No. 1 is leading the race for the second well and should reach pay in the near future. It is now drilling at 2,820 feet. This is about 150 feet less than the depth at which the Burke discovery well came in.

The J. O. Burke No. 2 is next in depth. It is pounding away at a depth of 2,582 feet. The Springfield No. 1 is following it in depth at the 2642 foot level. The J. O. Burke No. 1 remains shut down at 1,070 feet on account of changing rotary equipment.

Work of swedging the casing in the discovery well continues between the 2560-foot and 2570-foot levels. The Springfield No. 1 is down over 1800 feet and C. L. Witherspoon almost 1,000 on the J. O. Burke No. 1. On the L. M. Warten tract Riley is down 1000 and is waiting for casing, while the Petroleum Producers is drilling night and day.

Fred Haynes is reported arranging to resume drilling on the Tool well.

Riley has hauled out the machinery from here for the Reed No. 1 on the Millican, and Pick Campbell is arranging for hauling derrick timbers to the McClung No. 1.

With the progress so far made it is only a matter of a few days till something new in the way of production will be showing.

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REMOVAL NOTICE.

I have moved my harness shop from the building next door west of the Mexia Oil and Gas office across the street to the building next door west of the City Hall, and now have a better place in which to display my stock and to take care of your harness business.

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Yours for service,
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Permanent Boarder.

News has been received at this office that Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Padgett have a fine new boarder in their home, —a beautiful nine pound baby boy. Congratulations.

MAN HURT ON BIG PAVING TRACTOR

G. T. Shields, engineer on the big paving tractor, met with a painful accident Monday morning while in the discharge of his duties. In some way he got his left hand caught in the machinery and suffered several painful cuts on his forearm, which required the attention of a doctor to dress and put in shape. He will not be able to run the tractor for several days, but is still on duty, bossing the scrapper gang on the work.

J. G. McNeese of Dallas, formerly of this city, is in the city today, shaking hands with his many friends.

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"The Flirt" showing at the National Theatre

DIRECTORS USUALLY TROD HARD PATHS

Where do motion picture directors come from?

Certainly there are directors, and surely they come from somewhere, but no one actually "saw" a director in the process of entering the profession.

A director appears at a studio, and those superstitious people who are always anxious to see a dead donkey, or a red-headed "cullud pussen," or some rarity of nature, rejoice and say: "Ah, here is a man who is starting to be a director."

Then some one hails the stranger and recalls that he directed at least a dozen pictures at other studios and that he is a full-fledged director.

Hobart Henley, the Universal director of "The Flirt," thinks that most directors come from the stage, where they were either actors or technical experts. Henley himself began his dramatic career as a stage player, appearing with stock companies in Cincinnati, Cleveland and Buffalo immediately after his graduation from the University of Ohio. He became a leading man when the movies ceased to flicker and broken hearts as a screen matinee idol for several years.

As a gradual transition he became a director, although he says that he doesn't know exactly how, where or why. His early pictures paved the way for "Too Fat to Fight," "The Gay Old Dog," "Guilty Love," "Society Snobs," and then "Star Dust."

His greatest work, critics say, is his direction of "The Flirt," in which he has animated Booth Tarkington's vivid novel of American life as a Universal-Jewel production.

Local playgoers who are familiar with Henley's record as a director will be particularly interested in seeing the best example of his work when "The Flirt" opens at the National Theatre today.

APPEALING FILM SCORES A HIT AT THE NATIONAL THEATRE

There is a new photoplay at the National Theatre this week that will appeal to every one. It is a film dramatization of Booth Tarkington's famous story, "The Flirt," with which thousands are familiar as the book was one of the best sellers of its period. This picture is especially recommended for:

- Girls like Cora who think that: It doesn't hurt to flirt if you don't flirt to hurt.
- Fathers like John Madison, who are: Headed for the poorhouse with the family in high gear.
- Mothers like Mrs. Madison, who would: Rather do the work herself than fight about it.

"The Flirt" filmed at Universal City under the direction of Hobart Henley. It is offered by Carl Laemmle as the year's most appealing blend of laughter and tears, and lives up to all its advance notices.

Cora tolerated her family. Her father was a shabby old fellow who preferred to be honest rather than rich, and her mother was a gentle old lady who would rather do the dishes herself than ask Cora to spoil her manicure.

Then, too, there was Laura, the sister; Sam, the older brother; Hedrick, the little pest of a kid brother; Sam, the brother-in-law who ceased being a plumber when Cora thought up the title, "Sanitary Engineer," and as many authors as Cora could keep out of fight-fights on the veranda.

It boasts a real all-star cast, including Eileen Percy as the Flirting Cora, Helen Jerome Eddy as the elder sister, George Nichols as the father, Lydia Knott as the mother, Buddy Messenger, the wonder-boy of the

TARKINGTON FILM REFLECTS AMERICA

President Harding's slogan, "Back to Normalcy," has effected the stage and screen.

From Hollywood comes word that the year's big screen productions will be human stories, reflections of life.

Local playgoers are interested in the change of style in screen offerings, and will make a test case of "The Flirt," the Universal-Jewel dramatization of Booth Tarkington's vivid story of "the folks next door."

The production is now being shown at the National Theatre today, and the manner in which it is received will be seriously considered by producers as an indication of public taste.

"The Flirt," is recognized as Tarkington's greatest story of American life. It portrays a typical family with such accuracy that it will parallel the home life of many local people. Those who have read the book will be satisfied with Eileen Percy as "The Flirt," Helen Jerome Eddy as her sister and George Nichols as the father.

SEATTLE WOMAN TO RUN HUGE ORPHANAGE

ATHENS (By Cable From Beirut.) Under direction of a Seattle woman, an orphanage for 1,000 Armenian girls is to be built twenty miles north of Beirut, on the site of an ancient Temple of Venus and Adonis, famous during the days of the Roman Empire.

The French Government has donated this historic spot to the American Near East Relief Commission. Mrs. W. R. Gennaway of Seattle, Wash., will have charge of the orphanage, including dormitories and a large hospital and industrial school.

Situated on the seashore by the mouth of the so-called River of Abraham, this plot of ground with its Temple of Venus and Adonis was known throughout the ancient world because the river at certain seasons turned a bloodlike red.

Pagan folk thought the gory water was colored by the blood of Adonis after his encounter with a wild boar.

DRY FARMING

Brown: "How do you raise potatoes in such a dry summer?"

Jones: "Planted onions among them. You see the onions made their eyes water so that they didn't mind the dry weather at all."—Farm Life.

Chief Albert Mace is nursing a broken hand, and he is not sure just what caused the trouble, whether it was a dog bite or the result of his hand coming in contact with some culprit's jaw. It has been sore for several days and he did not know that it was broken until a few days ago.

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CHICAGO, March 13.—Hundreds of telephone operators stuck to their posts when the Illinois Bell telephone building was threatened by fire early Monday.

Two top floors of the Times Building adjoining the telephone company offices, were swept by a spectacular blaze.

A high wind carrying smoke and burning embers, swirled around offices where the phone girls were working. Firemen handicapped by a severe storm, were able through heroic efforts to confine the blaze to the Times building, occupied principally by stores and small manufacturing plants. The loss was approximately \$100,000.

ENGLISHMEN ACTIVE IN KOSSE DISTRICT

Information has reached here that Corley Brothers of Cardiff, England, have taken out a permit to do business in the Kosse section. J. G. Davis is the State agent. Headquarters are at Kosse. The capital of the company is said to be \$4,601,260.

In the current issue of the Fairfield Recorder, "Local Items Thirty Years Ago" appear. One of the items is as follows: "Mr. J. C. Henderson has put a fine hack on the mail line, and is now making good time between Fairfield and Mexia."

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

Says Backache Often Means You Have Not Been Drinking Enough Water.

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it may mean you have been eating foods which create acids, says a well-known authority. An excess of such acids overwork the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and sluggish. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels, removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, waste scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the system, so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

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The Cure, Also, Can Be Suggested in One Word "THRIFT"

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Patterson's Column



This is the second of my face to face talks with friends and customers. Some of you doubtless read yesterday's article and more of you will read them from day to day.

Those who pass up these articles will miss something worth while, for I shall tell some interesting things about a business that is one of the oldest in the world and one about which the buying public is more ignorant of than perhaps any other line of merchandise.

To begin with, I am not a Boomer in this State. My father was a merchant in Waco before Sangers came there, and my mother was born in Galveston.

I was born at Comanche Springs, later called Coke, a little village halfway between Waco and Gateville, where my father also had a store. When the Santa Fe Railway crossed the Cotton Belt where it did, Coke died and McGregor was born.

All this was some several years ago. Just how long ago, you may guess when I tell you that Pat Neff was winning declamatory prizes in school. Tom Connally, now Congressman was the champion "Kid" cotton picker of the community; Crate Dalton formerly Mexia lawyer, was a playmate, and Owen Friend Watkins, Post Laureate of Mexia, and Arthur A. Graves, now Major General U. S. Army were "turning squirrels" along Leon River bottoms. We all lived in neighboring communities.

Old timers will recall that ammunition was scarce, and that it took skill and time to load a shot gun in those days so we made sure of our squirrels by using a "turner."

There, I have used all my space in reminiscence. Tomorrow I shall talk strictly about the JEWELRY BUSINESS which is what I am in, right here in Mexia and "Every day in every way my business is getting BETTER AND BETTER."—Thank you. PATTERSON.

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BUT DID HE BUY SEVERAL
Bill: "Did Dan kill the fatted calf —Farm Life.

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The setting for the first two weeks of Judge Blackmon's court is as follows:

CIVIL CASES

- First Assignment—Monday, First Week**
 No. 1386 Clell Prestidge vs. H. C. Caulfield et al.
 No. 2404 A. H. & T. C. R. Co. vs. F. W. Heitman.
 No. 2581 Will Echols vs. Roby Echols.
 No. 2878 Floyd Dancer et al vs. Mary Stevens et al.
 No. 3071 Mrs. Nona Roark et al vs. J. J. Beckham et al.
Second Assignment—Thursday, First Week
 No. 2424 Mrs. Clyde Combs et al vs. N. W. Pierce et al.
 No. 2592 Richard & Scott vs. Mexia-LaSalle Oil Co. et al.
 No. 2593 B. F. McFall vs. Mrs. H. L. Houx et al.
 No. 2764 Annie Matthews vs. Will Wright.
 No. 2766 H. C. Roller vs. Lee Hampton et al.
 No. 2800 R. T. Bell vs. Clem-Johnson Lumber Co.
 No. 2873 Fred Carter et al vs. Chas. F. Noble et al.
 No. 2931 Berry-Barnett Gro. Co. vs. J. G. Edwards.
 No. 3802 Mrs. R. C. Robertson et al vs. P. P. Brown et al.
 No. 3182 City of Kosses vs. B. W. Couch et al.
 No. 3209 U. S. Bond & Mtg. Co. vs. Fred M. Vaughn et al.
 No. 3242 J. L. Thompson et al vs. W. A. Spivey et al.
 No. 3269 State of Texas vs. Jas F. Daviss.
 No. 3284 W. M. Wagner et ux vs. Samuel Stone et al.
 No. 3306 Hercules Supply Co. vs. Uniform Gas & Pet. Co.
Third Assignment—Monday, Second Week
 No. 2402 Columbus Wadkins et al vs. Nancy Rakestraw.
 No. 2741 W. R. Hammons, Ss. vs. Joseph Danciger.
 No. 2744 Roy B. Goodell sv. O. N. Jaye et al.
 No. 2818 Ike Giden et al vs. Joseph Danciger.
 No. 2834 O. H. Foster vs. G. W. Friend.
 No. 2991 Joseph Danciger vs. Geo. E. Smith et al.
 No. 3163 Mrs. A. Louella Ross vs. F. B. McElroy et al.
 No. 3167 A. T. Schulz vs. Palace Drug Store.
 No. 3244 J. B. Douglas Jr. vs. J. F. Springfield.
Fourth Assignment—Thursday, Second Week
 No. 2652 A. A. Vestal vs. Mrs. J. S. Phillips.
 No. 2556 Wm. Young vs. Juraco Oil Co. et al.
 No. 2584 J. W. Ray vs. en. Tex. L. and W. Co.
 No. 2729 W. R. Pickering Lbr. Co. vs. C. T. Higgins et al.
 No. 2773 J. E. Hintz et al vs. C. T. Higgins et al.
 No. 2805 J. Sanford Smith et al vs. C. I. Spencer et al.
 No. 2898 L. J. Ingram vs. J. E. McEneaney et al.
 No. 2943 Jones & Frazier vs. Emmett Boyd.
 No. 2975 C. V. Wheeler et al vs. Mabel O'Conner et al.
 No. 2993 Carey McElroy et al vs. Elbert McElroy.
 No. 3024 J. C. Eaves vs. Bud Kerzee.
 No. 3033 John Cain & Son vs. T. & B. V. R. R. Co.
 No. 3060 Ralph Harrison vs. Sam Allen.
 No. 3073 G. E. Quillen vs. Homer Ford.
 No. 3079 Harry W. Stevens vs. Henry Alexander.
 No. 3092 C. T. Higgins vs. D. H. Dorsett.
 No. 3118 O. P. Coffin vs. A. T. Schulz et al.
 No. 3223 C. N. Tipton et al vs. Willie Pierce et al.

CRIMINAL CASES

- First Assignment—Monday, Third Week**
 No. 907 The State of Texas vs. Wyatt Cogdell, S. V.
 No. 800 The State of Texas vs. Sam Kirkendall.
 No. 841 The State of Texas vs. John Ferrell.
 No. 865 The State of Texas vs. L. A. Boyd.
 No. 873 The State of Texas vs. Will Green.
 No. 876 The State of Texas vs. Jim Crabtree.
 No. 881 The State of Texas vs. Wilmer Garven.
 No. 886 State of Texas vs. Guy Andrews & Noel Andrews.
 No. 888 The State of Texas vs. Mrs. W. N. Lowery.
 No. 940 The State of Texas vs. Everett Williams.
 No. 958 The State of Texas vs. Oscar D. Lafferty.
 No. 976 The State of Texas vs. Will Kelly.
 No. 977 State of Texas vs. J. J. Patterson & Fred Jackson.
 No. 1007 The State of Texas vs. Lee Birbeck.
 No. 902 The State of Texas vs. O. E. Moore.
Sixth Assignment—Thursday, Third Week
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 No. 805 State of Texas vs. Theo & D.E. Strain & Geo. Tittle.
 No. 900 State of Texas vs. Lee Andrews et al.
 No. 901 State of Texas vs. B. F. Preston.
 No. 905 State of Texas vs. W. W. Lumsden.
 No. 908 State of Texas vs. Henry Strain.
 No. 913 State of Texas vs. Bob Brown.
 No. 915 State of Texas vs. S. R. Ayres.
 No. 970 State of Texas vs. W. O. & Fred Williams.
 No. 921 State of Texas vs. Heron White.
Seventh Assignment—Monday, Fourth Week
 No. 1012 State of Texas vs. Luther Lauderdale & Roy Renfro-S. V.
 No. 923 State of Texas vs. H. P. and Fred Williams.
 No. 924 State of Texas vs. Oonas Allman.
 No. 926 State of Texas vs. Will & Jim Curl.
 No. 928 State of Texas vs. Albert Tatum.
 No. 929 State of Texas vs. Roy Brown.
 No. 931 State of Texas vs. W. E. Decker.
Eighth Assignment—Thursday, Fourth Week
 No. 662 State of Texas vs. James Curry.
 No. 935 State of Texas vs. R. M. Turk & D. L. Mathews.
 No. 986 State of Texas vs. D. L. Mathews.
 No. 937 State of Texas vs. C. H. Craighton.
 No. 939 State of Texas vs. Ernest Taggart.
 No. 950 State of Texas vs. L. D. Collins.
 No. 955 State of Texas vs. Dick Tucker.
 No. 840 State of Texas vs. Eubanks and Bryant.
 No. 973 State of Texas vs. J. J. Pitts & V. A. Johnson.
 No. 1013 State of Texas vs. Major White.
 No. 1015 State of Texas vs. J. J. Pitts.

WHAT I LIKE AND WHAT I DON'T LIKE ABOUT MY HOME TOWN

By HENRY ELLIS,
 Editor Denison (Texas) Daily Herald
 In Dallas News

In relating "What I like and what I don't like about my home town" I prefer to deal with the proposition inversely and speak of its imperfections first and the things which, in my judgement, commend it last. In adapting this course a two-fold motive impels. First, it will

require but a minimum amount of space to tell of conditions which to me appear in an unfavorable light, and, second, that the discussion be relieved of its unpleasant features as humbly as possible and for the time forgotten. In speaking of the shortcomings of Denison, those who know me will acquit me of the charge of lacking in civic pride and loyalty. I am one

of these who by both inclination and training firmly believe that I live in the best State in the Union, the best town in the State and that my side of the street is superior to the other side, what is, more, I am prepared to offer proof in substantiation should anyone be so bold as to challenge the statement. Being thus impressed, it is with no little difficulty that I bring myself to a consideration of matters that have even a tendency to detract from the accuracy of the declaration contained in the preceding sentence. But since perfection is not of this mundane sphere, certainly we can point out the rough places known to exist without doing violence to one's faith and confidence in the superior advantages possessed by the community overshadowing in importance all that might be urged against it.

Gateway to Texas.

As the map indicates, Denison is one of the principal gateways to Texas—to say that it is the most important gateway would not be overstating the proposition. It is at Denison that the visitor to the State catches his first glimpse of imperial Texas, for while the boundary line is two and one-half miles north, marked by the bed of Red River, the route lies through the valley which extends to within a few hundred yards of the station. Therefore, it is at Denison that the stranger obtains his first impression of the wonderful empire whose fabulous resources have attracted the eyes of the world. And since first impressions are said to be the most lasting, it is important that nearness and not distance should lend enchantment to the view. It has been said that Denison is a one street town—and I can not deny the harsh impeachment. That is principally what I don't like about Denison. Denison has, I might say boasts, of a Main street—not the street made famous by Sinclair Lewis in his celebrated novel—fortunately we are too busy to indulge in frivolous gossip characterizing that work of fiction. Main street is the principal business street in Denison, extending from Paw Paw hill on the east to the far-flung Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway terminals on the west—approximately three miles. The Union Station is located on Main street and naturally the traveler associates with the town ideas that go with a one street municipality. Appearances wholly fail to impress the uninitiated with the commercial, industrial and civic greatness of the city and he departs with an entirely erroneous idea concerning its importance.

I don't like that feature about my town and would change it. I hope yet to wield some influence along that line by inducing distribution of business concerns and institutions along other streets where locations are equally as ideal. In other words, I want to see Denison "spread herself," for she is capable in every way of covering a huge nest of eggs that, in the fullness of time, will hatch out healthy chicks in the form of various

business success, commercial achievements and civic beauty.

Town With a Vision.

While Denison is one of the oldest cities in North Texas, it is not a town without a vision. A half century ago it was established by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway and made its headquarters in Texas. From the time the town was laid out it had a vision of city importance and municipal greatness. And while it has had its periods of adversity characterized by industrial strife, it has never lost faith or hope in ultimately attaining the goal of its early and yet fond ambitions. This peculiar faith of Denisonians in the serenity and future of their home town is most impressive. It attracted me when I decided to cast my lot with the people here. I prefer living with and among people who through storm and sunshine and with unfaltering trust in what the future has in store for them continue the onward march to business progress and municipal glory.

Denison derives its chief support from industries located here—the Missouri, Kansas & Texas division shops and allied interests being the most outstanding. In normal times the Katy pay roll alone averages \$2,000 per month, which together with other institutions employing labor enables the town to harvest a crop every month, or twice a month as it were, under the semi-monthly pay-off system. This keeps plenty of money in circulation practically all the time—and I particularly like that about "my home town." Having lived in agricultural communities where we had money only one season of the year, and therefore enabled to pay the preacher and the doctor when the cotton crop was gathered and sold, the change was not only pleasing for me, but helpful to the minister and doctor as well.

Railroad Shows Faith

The Katy also believes in Denison. It is now completing new terminal facilities at this point, which will overshadow anything of the kind west of the Mississippi and south of St. Louis at a cost of \$3,500,000. This money practically has all been spent in Denison and is the forerunner of still further and more valuable improvements

that will add to the commercial greatness of the city. It means that its population, given at 1925 by the last census, but which in reality was 20,225, counting territory not included in the corporate limits but lying adjacent, will double in the next ten years. That means more and better business progress and municipal development that will make better times. I like the faith the Katy Railroad management has in Denison, for it means its continuance as the most important railroad center in the State.

I like Denison for having located here the largest cotton mill in the State and the largest peanut factory in the world, the annual output of each exceeding \$1,000,000 both of which afford employment to large numbers of citizens, men and women. I like Denison for its public parks, to which the city and its civic association give painstaking attention, one of them being located in the heart of the city and the other at the edge of town, consisting of 225 acres—the gift of a home town philanthropist—W. B. Munson Sr., whose benefactions in this and other respects will benefit posterity. I like to be a fellow-citizen

of a man who is building for himself a monument in the hearts and affections of the people with whom he has long lived as has Mr. Munson.

Schools and Churches

I like Denison for its magnificent schools and churches and the spirit that supports and maintains both. Its high school building, erected at a cost of \$250,000, would be a credit to any college campus, and its corps of teachers distinguished among Texas' best educators. I like Denison for its magnificent waterworks system, capable of supplying the requirements of a city of 50,000 population. I like Denison for its great white way that illumines its Main street with the brilliance of day on the darkest night.

And lastly, I like Denison for the great soul of its people, who know neither class or distinction, who regard rank as but the "Guinea's stamp" and believe a "man's a man for a' that." They are content for every man to go each his way, so long as he does not infringe upon the rights of his neighbor and they resent with all the power of liberty-loving freemen, any invasion of what they consider to be the exclusive domain of personal freedom.

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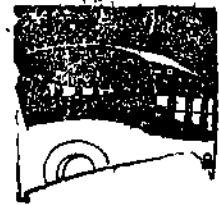
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WANTED—Bright young girl to help at the Mexia General Hospital. 13d4A

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WANTED TO BUY—E

WANTED TO BUY—A large safe or steel cabinet for cash. Must be cheap and in good condition. Phone 75. 12d4E

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REAL ESTATE—I

WILL TRADE one or two corner lots in Grammar School Addition for lumber or anything that can be moved. J. E. Williamson, Box 611, Mexia. 13d2I

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FOR RENT—Two unfurnished houses. D. A. Keizer. Phone 362-W. 723 E. Commerce St. 12d3K

FOR RENT—Two room unfurnished house. Lights and water included. \$15.00 per month. Apply 818 East Commerce. 12d2K

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ROOMS UNFURNISHED—M

FOR RENT—Three room unfurnished in rear of Opera House, suitable for any business. See J. H. Kaufman. 11d3M

MISCELLANEOUS—P

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AN ORDINANCE

An ordinance prohibiting the running loose and at large of any animal of the dog kind on the streets, avenues, highways, or other public places in the City of Mexia without being muzzled, declaring same to be a public nuisance, describing the kind of muzzle required, defining the duty of police officers in connection with the enforcement of this ordinance, providing that dogs shall be destroyed under certain conditions excepting certain dogs, providing dogs shall be redeemed, declaring an emergency and providing a penalty.

Be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas:

SECTION 1. The being and running loose and at large of any animal of the dog kind in the streets, avenues, highways or other public places in the City of Mexia without being muzzled as herein provided, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and it shall hereafter be unlawful for the owner or harbinger of any animal of the dog kind, or any person having custody or control of any animal of the dog kind, to suffer or permit such animal to run loose or at large in the streets, avenues, highways or other public places in the City of Mexia, unless the mouth of such animal is muzzled in such a manner as to protect persons from being bitten.

SECTION 2. The muzzle herein required to be used shall be made of some kind of suitable material, which possesses sufficient strength to securely muzzle the mouth of such animal of the dog kind so as to prevent such animal from biting, and said muzzle shall be so fastened in such a manner that the same shall securely keep said dog from biting persons.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police or any police officer to cause to be taken up or impounded all animals of the dog kind loose or at large, in violation of the terms of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. The owner of any animal of the dog kind, impounded as aforesaid shall have the right to redeem the same upon the payment to the Chief of Police, or officer in charge of the pound the sum of one dollar and fifty (\$1.50) cents for each animal so impounded. The sum paid to the Chief of Police shall be paid by him into the City Treasury. The time for removing said animal shall be twenty-four hours after their capture and impounding. All such animals not redeemed within such time shall be destroyed by the Chief of Police or any police officer authorized by him to do so.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this ordinance relating to the muzzling of dogs shall not apply to any animals of the dog kind that is being lead, providing said dog wears a good strong collar to which is attached a rope or strap of sufficient strength to hold such dog, or to any dog following country men or strangers through the City when they do not stop.

SECTION 6. Any person violating

any of the terms and provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars; and each and every day that any animal of the dog kind is permitted to run at large or loose in violation of the terms of this ordinance shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 7. The fact that there is no adequate ordinance regulating the running at large of animals of the dog kind, and the further fact that there is at this time many vicious dogs running at large affected with hydrophobia or some other disease creates an emergency and a public imperative necessity; that the rule requiring ordinances to be read on more than one day be and the same is hereby suspended, and that this ordinance take effect from and after its passage and it is so ordained.

Passed and approved the 6th day of March, A. D., 1923.

E. WATSON, Mayor.

Attest:

JAMES E. McELROY,

City Secretary.

12d10t.

FIRST HAT IN GOVERNOR FOR 1924 RING DIXON'S

HOUSTON, Texas, March 13.—George W. Dixon of Houston, whose charges against the Texas Penitentiary system two years ago caused the legislature to prosecute an investigation and to recommend an entire change in our penal system, has made formal announcement that he will be a candidate for governor of Texas in the July primaries in 1924.

"I feel it my solemn duty to take this step in behalf of the public welfare and the good name of our state," Mr. Dixon declared in making announcement of his candidacy. "After the long hard fight I made in order to accomplish so little progress, I would feel myself guilty of moral cowardice if I did not use all the power at my command to accomplish the object of that fight. I believe that in administering our state's affairs, we should follow the constitution and laws of our state and not sacrifice the public welfare to the political expediency of men whose only ambition is to enjoy the honors of office. I believe we should follow the leadership of those whose purposes are sincere and whose motives are unselfish, as shown by their public labors.

"The very politicians who are now advocating changes in the penal system of our state, did all in their power to block my efforts to accomplish these very reforms at the beginning of this fight. Are their motives now sincere? Are their purposes untainted with selfish interest?"

"I have no desire for the honor of office. I am prompted only by an earnest devotion to those principles for which our forefathers gave so freely of their blood and treasure. I have no interest to serve but the public interest. I am not backed by any faction, sect, or creed. My plans comprehend the welfare of all our people from the most influential to the poorest and humblest citizens in the land.

My sympathies are with those who toil through summer's heat and winter's cold in the struggle for existence. I believe that our laws should be enforced against all alike, and that every citizen should have and enjoy these constitutional guarantees vouchsafed in the Bill of Rights. I believe that the welfare of all our people is paramount, and should stand above the welfare of any faction, sect or creed.

Holding steadfastly to the principles of justice and right, as God gives it to me to see the right, I shall press onward to victory or defeat. Let all who believe in justice and equality under the law give serious thought to the great problems that confront our people and be prepared, when the time comes, to choose wisely and well.

"I am a native Texan, an adherent of the protestant religion, and believe in America for Americans. My own great-grandfather led a company of infantry, of the First South Carolina Volunteers in the war of American Revolution, under George Washington. It will therefore require no effort of the imagination to find where I stand with reference to the welfare of our Home-land."

Very respectfully,

GEORGE W. DIXON.

PHYSICAL CULTURE FOR MARCH

Physical Culture for March contains Bernard MacFadden's strikingly original editorial viewpoint on the value of health in business in which he foresees the doom of the tippler and the advent of a physical culture epoch.

Dr. Frank Crane writes of "The Fountain of Eternal Youth" and tells how old age is an unnecessary evil. Other features are "What Will Dr. Copeland Do in the Senate?" "The Life Story of Colonel S. O. Bigney, who is Sixty seven Years Young." An interview with Secretary of War Weeks on the need of building a "Sturdier Manhood." "What Emile Coue Means to Physical Culture," an article by Dr. Edwin F. Bowers entitled "How're Your Glands Today?" and an article by Annie Riley Hale "What Do Doctors Really Know?" There are many striking pictures of "The Body Beautiful" and exercises for keeping it so. Also fiction stories by John A. Coryell, "The Man Who Lost His Wife" and "The Glimp of Wings" by Cleveland Moffet. All in all this number should hold your interest from cover to cover.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Mayor—**ERNEST WATSON** (Re-election sought)
For City Commissioner: **REX FORREST**
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(Political Advertisement)

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SPEAKING OF FRUIT

Sometimes a fellow makes a date with a peach he believes will turn out to be the apple of his eye, but eventually she proves a lemon that no sensible chap could care a fig for.—Farm Life.

NOTHING TO CROW ABOUT

Rooster:—"My wife has just laid an egg. My wife—"
Fish:—"Well, what of it? My wife has just laid three thousand and you don't hear me crowing about it."—Farm Life.

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the City Hall in Mexia, Texas, April 7th, 1923, for the purpose of electing four trustees for the Mexia Independent School District to serve the ensuing two years. All qualified voters residing within the limits of the said Mexia Independent School District are entitled to vote in said election. Mr. W. B. Kendrick is appointed manager to hold this election.

Witness my hand at Mexia, Texas, this March 7th, 1923.

David Murphy,

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Mexia Independent School District.

11-16-3.

H. & T. C.

Northbound.

No. 19—3:50 a. m.; Denison and Dallas.

No. 17—4:35 a. m.; Ft. Worth via Dallas.

No. 37—4:55 a. m.; Dallas.

No. 15—5:55 p. m.; Ft. Worth and Dallas.

No. 31—12:50 p. m.; Mexia to Dallas.

Southbound

No. 18—1:37 a. m.; Houston.

No. 16—11:45 a. m. San Antonio and Houston.

No. 38—11:35 p. m.; San Antonio and Austin.

No. 20—11:59 p. m.; Houston.

No. 32—10:00 a. m. Mexia.

No. 345—From Navasota; 3:45 p. m.

No. 346—To Navasota; 7:00 a. m.

T. & B. V.

North.

No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.

No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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For Mayor—**ERNEST WATSON** (Re-election sought)

For City Commissioner: **REX FORREST**

W. C. WILSON

(Political Advertisement)

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION STATE OF TEXAS,

Limestone County, City of Mexia.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Mexia, Texas, notice is hereby given that a general election will be held on the

3rd day of April, A. D., 1923; in and within the boundaries of the City of Mexia, Texas, at the City Hall in said City, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Commissioners for said City, each of whom shall hold office for a term of two years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

And W. O. Miller is hereby appointed presiding officer of said election, and he shall select two Judges and two Clerks to assist him in holding the same; and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding other elections.

In testimony whereof witness my official signature this 1st day of March, A. D., 1923.

E. WATSON, Mayor,

City of Mexia, Texas.

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MRS. W. A. EVERETT TO INTRODUCE NEW ESTABLISHMENT TO MEXIA WITH STYLE SHOW AT OPERA HOUSE HERE

Wednesday night at the Opera House an extra attraction will be introduced in the form of a Style Show by Mrs. W. A. Everett who will on the following morning open up a new business in this city. The new concern will be an exclusive Ladies Ready-to-Wear and Millinery shop. The firm name will be Mrs. W. A. Everett. The location of the business is the first floor West of the Prendergast Smith Bank Building, in the heart of the business district, on East Commerce.

Lower Rents Are Predicted All Over The Country

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13.—Lower rents for millions of residents in all sections of the country were predicted here today on the basis of a nation-wide survey of housing conditions.

Relief from the housing shortage as a result of increased building activity will bring lower rentals by spring, according to T. J. Nolan, division manager of the F. W. Dodge Corporation.

"Figures gathered by our representative in a national study of building activity, show a general increase in construction work, and indicate a downward trend in rental values which should be felt throughout the Nation by spring," Nolan declared today.

"Building contractors did 33 per cent more business in February than during the same month a year ago. More than \$300,000,000 in construction contracts were awarded contractors in various parts of the country and 10 per cent of the building program is residential.

"Contractors are building more homes because there has been an unprecedented demand for relief from high rents. Contractors have reduced their overhead costs, increased the efficiency of their working forces and launched one of the greatest building booms in history.

"While the boom is simultaneous in all sections, it is most active in the Middle West and South, where building plans are being rushed forward as fast as materials and labor can be secured."

"In addition to contracts actually awarded nearly \$700,000,000 worth of building yet to be contracted for was contemplated by various financial interests, contractors reported last month."

February construction contracts in the Middle West amounted to \$73,996,000, according to Nolan. Of this amount, 37 per cent was for residential buildings.

Southern States reported contracts totaling \$51,202,000 of which 25 per cent was for residential or apartment buildings.

"The general trend is toward increasing activity in building operations, with prospects of continued high records in construction work which is certain to bring about lower rental values," Nolan stated.

Giant of Argentine Wins Battle With Bill Brennan N. Y.

By HENRY L. FARRELL (United Press Staff Correspondent) NEW YORK, March 13.—With a right arm that hangs on him like a fence post and swings with the effect of a battering ram, Luis Angel Firpo, the giant of the Argentine, knocked out Bill Brennan, the former Chicago heavyweight, in the twelfth round last night.

It was a bout arranged to show what the South American giant could do and the verdict around the gathering places of the nift profession this morning was:

"That fellow's going somewhere." Firpo acted in the last round much like the bulls that his fellow country-

men used to stab for pastime before he brought to them their first glimpse of the prize ring.

Facing defeat from a more crafty and a ring wiser opponent, with his balloon like sides puffing and his eyes glassy under a crimson film, Firpo tore into Brennan and by brute force beat him to the floor.

The right hand of the South American swung to the top of Brennan's head and started him downward. On his next trip around the same right caught Brennan under the jaw and he doubled up and went down. He was out for several minutes in his corner.

Firpo started away to a lead in the early rounds. He did all the leading and was trying for a KO. Brennan, however, assumed the role of a catcher and allowed his huge opponent to do all the work.

Terribly wild in his aim, Firpo did nothing but tire himself and in the fifth round when Brennan opened a bad gash over his eye, the South American looked good night. In the sixth he seemed to be looking for a hammock, but he stuck it out.

From the fifth on, the blood poured down into his eye, down his chin and off onto his chest, making him a picture of savagery. Only a very game man could have borne up under the handicap.

Tex Rickard was all puffed up today. "Another world's champion sure. The greatest prospect I have ever seen. Eight more months under the proper schooling and he'll have the title," he said.

Rickard may have reasons for being over-enthusiastic, but everyone agrees that while he is not a champion by several thousand miles now, Firpo has great possibilities.

He has a game heart, immense size, prodigious strength, mentality above the ordinary and everything but boxing skill. He can be taught to box when he poses as all those other qualifications. It is not for another year or so, and it may never be, but Senor Firpo is a potential champion.

WAXAHACHIE.—Opening the base ball season here, the Trinity Tigers will this afternoon grapple with the Grubbs Vocational Hornets in what is expected to be quite a little contest. Both outfits are said to be in excellent shape. Roy Akin of Mexia is coaching the Trinity University squad.

SAN ANTONIO.—Jimmy O'Connell, the New York Giants' \$75,000 rookie, is laid up with a sore arm. The ailment is not serious. Jack Bentley, the \$65,000 Baltimore pitcher, is still holding out, and McGraw is planning to pick one of the other rookie south-paws for the pitching job.

Judge Owen F. Watkins was a Groesbeck visitor Monday.

J. P. Maddox and Ed Hendrix from Thelma were Mexia visitors today.

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Doings At State Capital Possibly No Extra Session

AUSTIN, Texas, March 13.—Governor Neff sent a message to the legislature advising if the members saw fit to adjourn sine die immediately after reconvening in special session Thursday morning he would not call them back until the middle of April or June first. The message is in reply to a concurrent resolution adopted by the legislature yesterday requesting the governor to postpone the special session. The governor does not revoke the proclamation for a special session next Thursday. He said that ten days ago when the legislature adopted the sine die resolution to adjourn March 14th he definitely decided that the legislature should be

reconvened immediately to pass adequate revenue measures and make necessary appropriations.

Announcement of the appointment of R. B. Walthal of Nacogdoches as chief supervisor of the oil and gas division of the railroad commission, effective March 15th, was made today by the commission. Walthal has been private secretary to Governor Neff since Jan. 1921.

The Frisco-I. & G. N. merger bill was passed finally by the Senate this morning, 27 to 1. Bowers voted against the bill. The bill passed is the same as it came from the House.

French Threaten To Shoot Hostage If Attacks Don't Stop

BERLIN, March 13.—The French have threatened to shoot the Mayor of Buer, whom they hold as a hostage, if any more of the French are attacked in the Ruhr, according to reports from German sources today.

Many more arrests were effected in the disturbed area, which is held in an iron grip. An example of the French firmness is that German citizens at Buer are not permitted to walk on the sidewalks, nor to put their hands in their pockets.

Conflicting reports regarding the number of Germans killed within the last 48 hours vary from four to ten. German sources reported two civilians shot after a countermartial last night; later dispatches made it appear the report was untrue. There was no confirmation of a report from Buer that French sentries shot three Germans for evading the curfew law.

A report from Offenburg stated 170 German families, mainly workers, were ordered to evacuate the barracks they have used as homes since the war. These people, according to the German advice, have no place to go.

Baby Is Rich And They All Want Him

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13.—A four months old baby boy, heir to his mother's \$100,000 estate, was the central figure in a sensation guard-rail suit here today.

The \$100,000 baby was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones, following the death of the mother in a maternity hospital maintained by the couple here.

B. P. Shope, wealthy banker of Dry Run, Pa., the baby's grandfather, contends he is the child's legal guardian, and seeks to set aside the decree of adoption. His petition for custody of the infant will be heard in court here this afternoon.

Shope's daughter, according to the petition, left her home in Dry Run shortly before the birth of her baby.

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Germany Has Great Scheme Reestablish The Poor Mark

BERLIN, March 13.—The German Government's new-reparations scheme which will be presented as soon as a favorable opportunity occurs, had progressed today to the point of private conferences with industrialists to ascertain the guarantees the latter will be able to give in support of the plan.

In connection with work on its reparations proposals, it is learned that the Government also is preparing an unprecedented and far reaching scheme to stabilize the mark and promote sanity in German finance.

MORE IRISH REBELS EXECUTED TODAY

DUBLIN, March 13.—Six Irish rebels were executed today, one at Cork, two at Mullingar, and three at Wexford.

Henry Mitchell is on the "Flu" list this week.

NEW ORLEANS.—As a result of too much training, Babe Ruth's ankles "have gone back on him," and Manager Huggins has ordered the big slugger to take it easier until he entirely recovered from his recent illness. Bob Meusel came to an agreement on terms leaving Herb Pennock the only player not under contract.

ST. PETERSBURG.—With the exception of Cruise and Lavan, all of the Boston Braves are in camp here or on their way. Stuffie McInnis is expected tomorrow.

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—Made of "Buck" with patent vamp side and spur. Very desirable for out door wear.
Ladies' Sizes, Priced—
\$4.95
Misses' Sizes, Priced—
\$3.50



Grey Suede Oxford
—This is a very desirable oxford for the spring season. Made in a very pretty style of grey suede trimmed with patent leather; has low walking heel. Priced—
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—Brown Calf Oxford neatly trimmed with suede of taupe; one strap and low heel. Priced—
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CONVICTION IN VALLEY LAND FRAUD CASE

Germany Ready To Say What She Can Pay In Reparation and How

BERLIN, March 13.—Basic principles upon which Germany is ready to resume reparations payments was outlined authoritatively to the United Press today. They are:

Appointment of commission to establish Germany's ability to pay and to fix limits to reparations.

Series of international loans, similar to those proposed by Dr. Carl Bergmann at Paris, shall be floated, and from these reparations will be paid.

Amount to be paid cannot exceed approximately thirty billion marks.

Cuno government considers ridiculous the unofficial French proposal that Germany pay two or two and a half billion marks annually for the next thirty five years.

JOHN BULL WOULD DISCUSS RUBBER EMBARGO WITH UNCLE SAM IF POSSIBLE

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

FORT LAURENDALE, Fla., March 13.—Possibility of the British Government lifting its rubber embargo to permit a larger supply to come into the United States, and bring lower prices to American consumers of rubber products, may be discussed with President Harding by Harvey Firestone, who has invited the presidential party to be his guests at Miami.

Firestone is reported eager to lay the rubber situation, which is giving automobile men great concern, before the President.

Harding, however, plans to evade as much as possible the discussion of both domestic and foreign affairs at Miami, and intends to meet only a few people. He may board a boat there soon after his arrival for a fishing trip among the Florida Keys.

DEFUNCT TISBO BANK IS NOW IN HANDS OF RECEIVER POLICE STOP RIOT ON BANK

NEW YORK, March 13.—The Bank and steamship agency of Vincenzo Tisbo and three brothers, Mott street, who disappeared after depositors had entrusted them with \$2,000,000, was in the hands of a receiver today.

Police were called to stop a riot of depositors, mostly Italians of the working class, who attempted to storm the bank when Bertha Rembaugh, an attorney, took it over under direction of Federal Judge Hand.

The throng, totaling more than 500, thought the first persons in would be the first to get their money back if any was found. The rioters were quelled after considerable fighting with police reserves.

The safe, when opened by Miss Rembaugh, was found completely empty. "Not even a postage stamp left," she announced.

TRIAL PROGRESSING IN COMMUNIST CASES IN MICH.

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., March 13.—The jury to try William Z. Foster, alleged radical arrested in connection with the raid on the Bridgman communist convention last fall, near completion today. Both sides attempted to weed out jurors who may have been influenced by propaganda with which Berrien county has been flooded.

Three women and seven men were tentatively accepted by both sides when court convened.

Only a few spectators were on hand. They included most of the thirty-two men and women who will be tried later on charges of violation of the Michigan anti-syndicalist law.

"We are willing to put our case into the hands of either men or women by long as they enter the jury box unbiased by propaganda," Frank P. Walsh, defense attorney, declared. Walsh confined his examination of jurors to two main questions.

1. Did you read or hear a speech of Allen G. Myers, Burns detective, before the jury club at Berton Harbor, assailing radical organizations?

vention, at which radicalism was bitterly attacked?

Charles W. Gore, prosecutor, was equally insistent in searching for the effects of propaganda on the jury. "Barrien county was flooded with 15,000 pamphlets outlining the case of the defense. Did you read or hear of any of this literature?" was the question he fired at every juror.

RAIN OR SHINE
(Information furnished by A. W. Waddill, the Radio Man, address 305 East Commerce Street, phone 563.)
U. S. Weather Bureau's A. M. Forecast for March 13.
Mexico and Vicinity.

Tonight fair and continued cool with frost in places. Minimum temperature about 40 degrees. Wednesday, fair and warmer, light variable winds becoming Southerly.

Shippers Forecast.
Protect shipments during the next 24 to 36 hours from temperatures as follows, Northwest, about freezing, East Texas, tonight fair not so cold in extreme Northwest portion, frost in interior, Wednesday fair and warmer.

West Texas, tonight and Wednesday, fair and rising temperature.

Highway Weather Service.
Highways are generally passable rough and bad places will be encountered in through journeys across Texas, roads are drying and improving.

The Odd Fellows lodge will meet in regular weekly session tonight in the Knights of Pythias hall. Some applications to be acted on, so please

Cotton Mill Men Praise Forward Step Being Taken By This City Campaign For New Industry

Secretary Stollenwerk of the Chamber of Commerce was in attendance at the cotton mill meeting in Dallas on Saturday which was held under the auspices of the State Chamber of Commerce and he says that there were several experienced cotton mill men present at this conference, among whom were J. T. Howard, President of the Dallas Cotton Mills and J. Perry Burrus, President of the McKinney Cotton Mills and the principal stockholder of the new cotton mill of Dallas that will be erected and conducted by the Cannon-Robert Interests.

Both of these gentlemen on being given an outline of the plan that the Mexia people are following with the Cannon-Robert people, expressed themselves as saying that Mexia was on the right track and that they saw no reason why the mill should not be a financial success. Mr. Howard has been president of the Dallas mills for many years and has made a wonderful success of the business which is the oldest cotton mill now operating in the state. He predicts a successful era for the Cotton mill industry in Texas and says there is no reason why these mills should not make a success. He stated among other things that he thought there were enough mills in Texas making flat duck and oshaburgs at the present time and thought it would be wise to manufacture some other product than these which he felt quite sure would be done.

Mr. Burrus said that one factor alone gave Texas mills considerable advantage and that was the matter of freight, that the freight rates to the New England states and return on a finished product was not less than 2c per pound which in the old days would have been considered a fair profit. Both these gentlemen said that there was no question but that the cotton raising industry was on the firmest basis of any industry in Texas, in fact, the entire civic, industrial and social life of Texas is founded on Cotton and Cotton Mill industry tended to more firmly establish the cotton raising industry and should be fostered and encouraged by every public spirited citizen, as well as prove attractive to every careful investor.

Attention is herewith again called to the meeting of the cotton mill committee and team captains at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the American Legion Hall. They are urged not to overlook this meeting and not to have any arrangement that will interfere with same and leave no stone unturned to have this matter closed up at this time.

TEXAS TABS

FORT WORTH, March 13.—Police questioned physicians today in an effort to establish the identity of an infant left with its throat cut on the doorstep of the apartment of Mrs. Edward Finn here. The baby, apparently only a few hours old, was wrapped in paper and when first discovered was thought to be a package of laundry.

BELLEVUE, March 13.—Her husband's refusal to sign some oil leases was believed by authorities today to have caused the slaying yesterday of Mrs. Edward Gullidge and her 18 months old baby at the hands of B. L. Gullidge, her father-in-law, who afterwards took his own life. Harry Budd, Mrs. Gullidge's father at whose home the shooting occurred was wounded in the hip, but will recover. Gullidge's son escaped his father's wrath by jumping over a fence and running. There is said to have been trouble in the family over some jointly owned leases.

EL PASO, March 13.—More than 3000 persons were here today for the forty-seventh annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' association which will be in session here three days. Welcome addresses and entertainment features were on the program for today.

DALLAS.—Wilbur Laherty, 3, had deeply embedded wad of cotton removed from his ears at a local hospital. "I put them there so I wouldn't hear my sister playing the piano," Wilbur told physicians in

The World In Tabloid

Bank President Killed Self; \$400,000 Shy

CHICAGO, March 13.—Examiners today announced \$400,000 will be necessary to reestablish the Logan Square Trust & Savings Bank on a sound basis. Doors of the bank were closed Saturday after Fred W. Popp, president, killed himself. David Wiedemann Jr., vice president, missing since Popp killed himself, reappeared.

Ex-Kaiser Bill Has New Grand Son

VIENNA, March 13.—Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm is once more a grandfather. The Duchess of Brunswick, the former Emperor's only daughter, gave birth to a son early today.

Two More Irishmen Executed Today

DUBLIN, March 13.—Two Irish irregulars were executed at Mullingar today for participation in bank robberies in County Meath.

Anti-Saloon League Must File Report

ALBANY, N. Y., March 13.—The anti-saloon league of New York is a political committee and as such should file a statement of receipts and expenditures made in connection with the 1922 primary and general election, the Supreme Court ruled here today.

Lenin Reported Seriously Ill Again

RIGA, March 13.—Premier Lenin of Russia is reported critically ill. German specialists, Doctors Forster, Guft, and Minovsky, arrived here today on their way to Moscow to attend the Bolshevik leader.

Old Landmark in Houston Burns

HOUSTON, March 13.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Harbor Hotel, one of the oldest structures in the city early today. Guests in the hotel were forced to flee clad only in flimsy night clothing. The building was a total loss due to low water pressure and the headway gained by the fire before it was discovered. The loss was estimated at \$20,000.00.

Salesmanship Club Meets Wednesday At Noon

The following is taken from "Hot Shots," the weekly folder distributed to the members of the Salesmanship Club of this city, "advertising" the meeting which will be held at the Hurleston hotel Wednesday at the usual luncheon hour:

Subject: The Value of Outside Advertising for Mexia.

Speakers: (4 minutes each) Herbert Jacobs, E. P. Clark, J. P. Dunaway.

10 minute speakers: G. T. Reaves, his own subject.

Amusements: Salesmanship Quartet Hot Shots

Come on, fellows; let's make it 100 or bust.

True to nature is the old proverb, "No sweat, no sweet; no pain, no gain; no mill, no meal."

The "Charity Fund" grows with each dime fine, all for a good cause. Salesmen, don't begrudge it, Dick needs it.

Each Salesman is requested to bring with him next Wednesday the following "aged" articles, 1 cabbage, 1 tomato, and several hen eggs. The quartet will be hungry during intermission.

As an after dinner speaker Salesman McCullough is the "Cat's Whiskers" (?)

Rule IV.

Remember Salesmen, to succeed, Don't deal in "ifs" and "buts," To get the business all you need Is common sense—and GUTS.

—Patterson.

Salesman Andrews didn't all his joke right, the correct version: "Dear Brother, the reason why I

HUMAN SLAVERY RAMPANT IN ABYSSINIA REPORT

By HENRY WOOD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

GENEVA, March 13.—Human slaves are sold on the block in Abyssinia, at prices ranging from \$24 down, according to information reaching the League of Nations today.

Quotations on humans caught in the open, chained, grouped and sold into slavery for rich muselman living in the interior of Asia Minor—this in the year 1923—are given as follows, in official reports:

Able bodied male slaves, \$6 to \$24 each, according to age, strength and productive ability.

Female slaves, demand slight, \$6 down.

Child slaves, absolute drug on the market. These cost so much until they reach the age of productivity, they are a losing investment.

The League will tackle the problem of suppression of human slavery at the next annual assembly in September.

As Abyssinia is not a member of the League, and consequently under no obligation to accept its interference in domestic affairs, the situation is complicated. France, Italy and England, possessing colonies or mandates in territory surrounding Abyssinia, hope to bring pressure to bear to clear up the slave traffic.

There is a new auto crank, or more probably a new crank for an old car, at the City Manager's office that the owner can get by proving his right to the article.

cow, Baldy, died several years ago, she was the pride of my heart, and when you reach a high pitch seems me thinks I can hear dear old Baldy, and the tears trickle down my cheeks."

W. E. Stewart Gets Five Years In Federal Prison Pays \$1600 Fine and Costs

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13.—W. E. Stewart, organizer of the W. E. Stewart Land Company was today sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary for using the mails to defraud in the sale of Texas lands.

Stewart was given a concurrent sentence of five years in each of sixteen counts.

In addition he was fined \$1600. Stewart also must pay the costs in the case, approximately \$10,000.00.

AMERICA MAY NOW PARTICIPATE IN THE RICH OIL FIELDS IN MESOPOTAMIA—FABULOUSLY RICH

By A. L. BRADFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 13.—America has won her fight to participate in the development in the Mosul oil fields in Mesopotamia, reputed to be fabulously rich.

It was learned authoritatively today that Great Britain and France have now come forward and agreed that American oil companies shall share in the workings of the Mosul district, where the British hold a mandate.

The action on the part of the two European powers stands forth as a triumph for the American "open door" policy of equal commercial and economic opportunity for nations of all countries in the mandated regions of the Old World.

This policy, as it affects the mandated districts, was inaugurated by former President Wilson and continued emphatically by President Harding and Secretary of State Hughes.

MILLIONS OF REAL MONEY NOW POURING INTO THE COFFERS OF UNCLE SAM

By PAUL R. MALLON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Four hundred million dollars will be poured into the Government coffers before midnight Thursday by income tax payers, the Treasury estimated today.

As the majority of the taxes are paid in quarterly installments this means that the returns now being filed

in a great eleventh hour rush will call for tax payments during the year of approximately \$1,600,000,000.

The March 15 payment is expected to be about \$20,000,000 greater than last year, thus reflecting the generally improved business last year, as compared with 1921, which was affected by the post-war slump.

LAMB RETURNS FROM AUSTIN FOR A FEW DAYS

De Witt Lamb, member of the Legislature from this district, with his family returned Monday afternoon from Austin. During the past thirty days Mrs. Lamb and children have been with Mr. Lamb and enjoyed the stay there very much. They left Austin Sunday afternoon by auto and remained over in Waco Sunday night, coming on home Monday. Mr. Lamb will be here several days this week, following which he will return to the extra session, should it be continued without any recess period.

The Limestone representative states that the 38th session of the legislature has accomplished many outstanding pieces of legislation that will mark it as one of success and one of lasting benefit to the State. He gives particular mention to the bill by Lee Rountree of Bryan, known as the Braxos Reclamation measure, and also of the measure instituting the West Texas Technological College.

He states that he will be here several days, but that his absence will not be of material disadvantage to his constituency as no more measures will be introduced after last Sunday, when he left the capitol.

In case the legislature meets in Special Session he will return to his desk the latter part of the week.

Representative Lamb states that the House worked with fine harmony with Governor Pat M. Neff and that throughout the session he did not hear a word on the floor of the house or in private conversation derogatory to the Governor. He also stated that the

he delivered an address, the members of the House listened with appreciation and applause.

He states that Speaker R. E. Seagler of Palestine made an excellent presiding officer. "He just can't be beaten when it comes to a fair executive and parliamentary," he said. "There are some who favor Seagler as a candidate for Governor in the 1924 campaign, and the only criticism that is offered at all to such a candidacy is that his acquaintance is somewhat limited."

Mr. Lamb was on five committees: Public Printing; Oil and Gas; Municipal and Private Corporations and School District, being four of the principal ones. He states that the School Districts committee had the highest record of any of the committees of which he was a member, there being around 200 bills presented to it for consideration.

In speaking of the "Leading Lights" of the 38th Legislature, he credited Lee Satterwhite of Carson County, for many years editor of the Wortham Journal, and Lee Rountree, editor of The Bryan Eagle, as among the most influential house members.

Mr. Satterwhite presented the bill to create the new "Neff County."

Ground has been broken for the new brick building at the corner of Commerce and Paris for the J. J. Riddle Undertaking company, and work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. It is to be a two story building, and will be modern throughout.

Hon. De Witt Lamb and family drove in from Austin Monday afternoon, and Mr. Lamb will remain here for several days before returning to his legislative duties.

Iron steps leading to the upstairs of the Farmers State bank are being put up in the alley just off Sherman street, that will make access to the

Land Prices a Public Problem

By D. H. OTIS

Agricultural Director American Bankers' Association.

Our farmers are fast becoming men of affairs. They do business in a business way. Our rural banks owe their existence to the patronage of the farmer.



D. H. Otis

Our farmers do not attempt to supply their own needs from what they produce, but rely on purchasing what they need from the sale of the product or products that they are able to produce best and most economically.

Land, labor and capital are the three factors involved in production. A rise in any one of these factors increases the cost of production. Land values have been rising rapidly. This means that many of our farmers have become wealthy not so much from the farm products sold from the farm but from the rise in value of land. They are enjoying what is commonly spoken of as the "unearned increment." Some day somebody will have to pay for this. If we do not then it will be our children or our children's children.

Something to Think About
It is said that only from 7 to 15 per cent of the farms of the United States are inherited. The rest must be paid for in whole or in part once with each generation. Can this be done? With increasing land values this becomes increasingly more difficult. A reasonable rate of interest on land worth \$300.00 will involve an interest or rental charge of \$15.00 to \$18.00 per acre. On land worth \$400.00 this will be from \$20.00 to \$24.00 per acre. This is a heavy fixed charge for the farmer who attempts to pay for his farm in the course of a life time. Unless this can be done it means that we are to be cursed with a permanent tenant system.

The census shows that our farm acreage has not increased near in

proportion to the increase in population. It is true that we have regions of undeveloped or only partially developed land, but the unused land is the least productive or is poorly located or needs development, or the rainfall is uncertain. Our labor costs are greater than in European countries and as increased yields per acre usually involve more labor the increase in production from more intensive culture or from developing less desirable land takes place slowly. Improvements in our country which increase labor or utilization of less desirable land involve higher prices for food unless the farmer is willing to take less profits.

The greatest problem of our nation is to have men on farms that can produce food at prices that the consumer can afford to pay. The farmer has the job of feeding the world. He cannot loaf on the job. He must do his best to select crops, livestock, feed, bread and conduct his business economically; so as to furnish food at low cost; and at the same time he should have a reasonable return if agriculture is to be made permanent, profitable and comfortable.

Civilization Needs the Farmer

The solution of our food problem is directly connected with the land problem. If there is a proper adjustment between the value of land and the other factors of production and the prices of farm products then it will be possible for the farmers to attack this problem with the hope of arriving at a satisfactory solution. If land values are run up beyond their value for production purposes in order that the speculator, be he farmer or real estate dealer, may make money then the real farmer will find farming unprofitable. The brighter and more ambitious young men will be attracted away from the farm and the farmers as a class will deteriorate. This in turn will mean that our civilization will go backward instead of forward.

Every citizen is therefore interested in the land problem and should use his influence to see that speculators do not run the selling value beyond production value. Fluctuating land values spell higher cost of living and ultimately a lower class of citizens as farmers.

bassador has taken a better house. He has married again, married another American lady. He has taken the position that an ambassadorship demands. He no longer rides in street cars by necessity but only by choice. There is an automobile at his disposal, but let no one dare suggest that he ever paid sixty thousand "bucks" a year house rent in war time.

SPORT TABLOIDS.

NEW ORLEANS.—As a result of too much training, Babe Ruth's ankles "have gone back on him," and Manager Huggins has ordered the big slugger to take it easier until he entirely recovered from his recent illness. Bob Meusel came to an agreement on terms leaving Herb Pennock the only player not under contract.

CLEARWATER.—Dutch Reuther, hold out pitcher of the Brooklyn Robins, said he had failed to come to terms with the club, and that he was going to return to his home in Florida. He agreed to the salary offered him, but objected to the form of the contract. Commissioner Landis expects to remain here until Friday.

HOT SPRINGS.—Mike Menosky Johnny Mitchell have arrived at the training camp of the Boston Red Sox. Menosky is expected to sign his contract today. Manager Chance has been unable to get in much work because of rainy weather.

ST. PETERSBURG.—With the exception of Cruise and Lavan, all of the Boston Braves are in camp here or on their way. Stuffy McInnis is expected tomorrow.

SEGUIN.—A seven inning practice game between the Yannigans and the regulars was planned by Kid Gleason today to groom the Chicago White Sox squad for the opening of the spring exhibition series with the New York Giants at San Antonio Saturday. Three belated arrivals, Eddie Rafferty and Roy Elsh, rookie outfielders and Harvey McClellan.

FORT WORTH.—The Panthers will

"NO WORK" SIGN OUT FOR DEMPSEY

BY HENRY L. FARRELL

(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, March 13.—In the three years that have passed since he won the heavyweight championship, Jack Dempsey has engaged in only three bouts.

He went through three rounds with Billy Miske, twelve rounds with Bill Brennan and four rounds with Carpenter.

It will be four years in July since Dempsey won the title at Toledo and in that time he has had the benefit of only nineteen rounds of actual fighting.

No champions in other branches of sport could remain at the top with such scattered opportunities for practice. Babe Ruth was hopelessly handicapped last year by an enforced absence of six weeks. Bill Tilden would have a terrific time to maintain his form if he could play tennis only once a year and Walter Hagen would put his game on the rocks under the same circumstances.

Whether the enforced abstinence from ring work has hurt Dempsey remains to be seen and it may be a long while before a chance comes to find out. Other fighters in the past have laid off for three years without getting off edge. It all depending on how the time was spent outside the ring.

It might be said that the long lay off didn't do Dempsey any good, but it doesn't necessarily follow that it resulted harmfully.

When he was working out in Madison Square Garden on his recent visit

to New York, the champion looked as good and perhaps better than he ever did. It is hard to get a foundation for accurate judgment in a gym, but it was strikingly apparent that Dempsey was faster on his feet, more graceful in his boxing and more accurate in his punching than he ever was before.

It is Dempsey's own business what he does with his time, but he must be taking good care of himself, because he always appears to be in such good condition. He boxed three rounds recently in the garden with Jamaica Kid, his old sparring partner from Toledo. They went like bantamweights for three full rounds and when they finished, Dempsey was hardly breathing fast. He must be in shape regardless of the rumors that are passed around about him from time to time.

Critics disagree on the benefits that result from stage boxing exhibition work. An admitted evil is the habit it sometimes develops of pulling punches. But in Dempsey's case, daily boxing on the stage for two years off and on has given him a finished style and produced general polish. It apparently has not hurt him.

Since he cannot find an opponent suited to the requirements of the New York boxing commission, Dempsey cannot engage in the actual pursuit of his profession and since he cannot fight, it stands to reason that boxing on the stage will do more to keep him on edge than chopping trees or wearing grooves in mountain sides with his feet.

make their first appearance of the season Sunday when they take on the Omaha club in an exhibition game. The members of the champ outfit are arriving in town slowly and it is probable that the full squad won't be mobilized until the day of the game.

WICHITA FALLS.—Twenty men were out for the Supper's first workout yesterday, and material looked

good. Five candidates for berths on the team arrived yesterday and immediately repaired to the lot.

DALLAS.—Having whipped the strong Federal Reserve Bank team here, 12 to 0, the Dallas Marines were preparing today to take care of more amateur raw meat when it meets S. M. U. in a pair of engagements tomorrow and Thursday afternoon.

TEN SPECIALS

Wednesday---Thursday

We will have other Special Prices for these Two days, but we quote you here just **TEN SPECIALS.**

The prices we name are for these two days only! Don't come Friday expecting to get advantage of these prices.



Taffetta Dresses Marked For Quick Selling

They will be on display Tuesday night in our Show Windows, values up to \$16.75; about 50 Dresses in the lot, sizes 16 to 40, and priced Wednesday and Thursday at only **\$11.95**

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—in Flesh, Maise, Orchid, and Rose; our regular \$8.50 sellers. We offer your choice of one dozen at each— **\$4.95**

Stamped Goods

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36-inch Long Fold Muslin that sells for 24c yard, Wednesday and Thursday, our price is 6 yards for— **98c**

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AMBASSADORS TO THIS NATION FACE HOME PROBLEMS

Even ambassadors in these days of the housing shortage have their rent troubles. In ante-bellum days there was an American musical comedy one of whose song hits ran something as follows:

"If a woman with five children

small,
Two parrots and a cat,
Should hunt for fourteen hours a day

For a forty-dollar flat,
With naught but sunny outside rooms,

In a neighborhood of tone,
How old would those five children be

Before they found a home?"

It was some such problem that ambassadors from smaller countries faced when they tried to establish quarters for themselves and their staffs in war time Washington.

It is had enough to have had such house-hunting problems on one's hands but to have them bob up in greatly exaggerated form in the capitoline gossip six years' after is really distressing. Yet that is just what has happened to the worthy representative of King Albert, Baron de Cartier, Belgium's ambassador to the United States.

It was early in 1917, about two days after America had decided to sit in on the European war game, that the new Ambassador arrived in Washington and began to cast about for a place to hang his hat. Fortunately he had been in London and knew what to expect in the way of rent-profiteering once a capital city had been invaded by the army of war-time office-holders, military bureaus, commissions, administrations, and what not.

With all this experience the Ambassador lost no time in picking out a house such as would become the representative of a war-improvised country, a modest sort of house, not too far from the State Department and not too far from the street car line. Ambassadors in picking their residences do not usually take into consideration such plebeian traction facilities as street car lines, but the Baron at that time had no automobile.

His first wife, an American, had died and, being a widower, he did not require as elaborate an establishment as married diplomats maintained. The house at 2346 Massachusetts Avenue had to serve him not only as a residence but also as offices for his considerable staff. "The place buzzed like a beehive," said the Ambassador, "every room housed a secretary and some commission or other. I had barely room to live."

"And for it all I paid an annual rental of \$4,500 a year!"

Nobody knows just how it started but it became rumored at the capital that the Belgian ambassador was a

high liver and that the house he occupied was costing not \$4,500 a year but \$5,000 a month. And that rumor still persisted in 1923 and was duly chronicled by one of the leading newspapers of the United States, greatly to the disgust of Baron de Cartier. There are persons in Washington who would not be at all chagrined to have it thought that they were paying \$60,000 rent instead of \$4,500, but the Belgian Ambassador is not one of them.

"When my King was with the army undergoing untold hardships and dangers, when my countrymen were dying in the trenches, when Belgian civilians were deported to Germany, and starving, should I be living in luxury? It would have been despicable. In the window of my house I hung the card of Mr. Hoover's Food Administration, pledging my support to the rules that were laid down. When the meatless and wheatless days came along I observed them all, and I was proud to do so. Under the circumstances, no gentleman could do otherwise than live simply."

Since the war, the Belgian Am-



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National Theatre

TODAY AND TOMORROW

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JUNE 3

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Letters from People

SCHOOLS

The following open letter of interest to all county superintendents, school boards and city superintendents has been received for publication from State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs of Austin:

Austin, Texas, March 10.
Legislation: No legislation is yet enacted which amends the school laws. Probably a number of changes will be made at this session of the Legislature but no definite information can be given at this time. The Three Million Dollar emergency appropriation was restricted to the lengthening of term only. If schools were closed before this appropriation was made it is inadvisable to reopen for one month. I am of the opinion that the money should be carried over to the credit of the districts for the support of the schools for the year 1923-1924 as we are by no means sure that the per capita apportionment for next year will exceed ten dollars. School districts that have not voted a local tax to the statutory limit of one dollar should do so before May first in order that a higher rate may be levied for the ensuing year.

Registration of Teachers for Examinations: Beginning with the April examination, teachers desiring to enter will register with the county superintendent not later than the twentieth of the preceding month. This



"The Flirt" showing at the National Theatre

will enable the county superintendent to order a sufficient number of lists of questions and also to prepare for the convenience of the number of applicants, and if there are no registrations it will not be necessary for the county board of examiners to convene. This may work an inconvenience for a few months, but eventually the plan will be heartily approved by every one who desires honest, orderly examinations. Text Books: Requisition blanks will be mailed as soon as it is determined whether or not the old books will be continued in use. I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid cooperation given me in the matter of reporting surplus usable books. Many

books have been transferred from one county to another, thus reducing the per capita cost of text books this year.

College Entrance Examinations: College entrance examinations will be given throughout the state during the second week in May. You should write to Mr. A. W. Evans, chief high school supervisor, for full particulars. This is an opportunity for students in unclassified schools and in accredited schools, which offer subjects not yet accredited, to secure units equal in value to those given by the best high schools.

Warning Notice: Information has been received in this office that agents representing a certain standard ref-

erence work for children have been canvassing the trustees of country districts which have received state aid and insisting that the reference work must be purchased if state aid is received. This is unwarranted and you will confer a favor upon me if you will promptly give me notice of any irregularity concerning the sale of any kind of school equipment.

Radio: Allyn and Bacon, 1006 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, the publishers of Carhart and Chute's Physics, the state adopted text, will send, free on request, an additional chapter on Radio to those classes using the text book. As this subject is of current interest I suggest that you request as many copies of this pamphlet as you have students enrolled in physics.

Census: I sincerely hope that you will secure a correct census of the scholastics during this month. I shall expect the census reports to be made to this Department by the county superintendents by May first, as that was the evident intention of the law. Irregularities in taking the census will be promptly investigated. Owing to lack of funds, a sufficient supply of blanks M77 and M86 were not printed, but it is not necessary for each enumerator to have these forms. Census supplies were sent to all county superintendents and to the presidents of the school boards in all independent school districts which had more than 150 scholastics enrolled for the current year.

School Bonds: At the regular meeting on April tenth the State Board of Education will probably be able to buy all bonds of common school dis-

tricts which may be offered. If you have any small issues on hand, I suggest that you inform me at once. The State Board of Education desires to aid the small district as far as practicable.

Sincerely yours,
S. M. N. MARRS,
State Superintendent.

Hello Broadway Goes Over Big At Opera House

The "Hello Broadway" Musical Comedy Company, which opened a weeks engagement at the Mexia Opera House last night is easily the best ever seen here. The opening bill was "Hello Broadway," which was very much enjoyed by the capacity houses at both performances. Besides the well connected plot of the play itself, vaudeville specialties were so numerous that it seemed almost impossible for the company to work them all in.

Scenic and electrical effects were of a class seldom attempted. Costumes lived up to the advance hearing as "The Million Dollar" show.

The principals excel anything ever seen here. Joseph Carr made a clever and handsome leading man with his rich tenor voice. Frank Hughes, blackface comedian was accorded numerous encores. Percy Daville as an English Lord was clever and rendered numerous songs in accomplished

style. Ethel Mae made a stunning ingenue lead and strongly resembled the famous picture star, Priscilla Dean. William Mifflin made a decided hit as the inebriated man from Chicago. Rena O'Neil sang her way into the hearts of the audience with her charming personality. Pearle Gray, in her Oriental dance pleased immensely. Herbert Lindholm the debonair beau brummell from Broadway remembered by many old time theatre-goers is making his first appearance in Mexia. The chorus possessed excellent voices and are of a class above the average. "The Two Thieves" with an entire change of costumes, songs and scenery will be the play today. Tomorrow, The Style Show with eleven beautiful models will be accompanied with the Elks Orchestra.

It is expected that Mexia ladies will be well represented as a Gold piece will be presented to the best looking man. One of the Chorus ladies will go amongst the audience and make the selection.

Freestone Grand Jury Reports To Judge Blackmon

The following is the recent report of the Grand Jury for Freestone County:

The State of Texas, County of Freestone. In District Court, Freestone County, Texas, February Term, 1923

To the Hon. A. M. Blackmon, Judge of said Court:

Your Grand Jury impaneled at the February Term of the District Court of Freestone County, having completed our labors, beg leave to submit the following report, and ask leave to finally adjourn:

We have been in session seven days and diligently investigated all violations of the laws which have come to our attention. We have examined 101 witnesses and have returned 29 true bills, 24 of the grade of felony and 5 misdemeanors.

We have inspected the court house and the County jail. There appears to be a shortage of bed clothes to properly and comfortably take care of the unfortunate inmates of the jail. We recommend that the Commissioners' Court make more adequate provisions in this regard.

We find a general disregard of the laws requiring market men and others engaged in slaughtering cattle and hogs to keep a record of the marks and brands of cattle and hogs slaughtered and to report the same. The failure to comply with these requirements aids the thieves to cover up their crimes and in this way the officers are seriously hampered in running down offenders of this class. We call upon the citizens of this County to report to their officers such violations of this law and thus render valuable assistance in keeping down thefts of cattle and hogs.

Respectfully submitted,
J. S. NEWELL, Foreman.
W. B. WEAVER, Sec.

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SLAVES FORBIDDEN—WHY NOT RUM?

"No nation would have attempted to force slave trade upon the United States after it was abolished, and our nation would not have permitted it if the attempt had been made. It is hardly likely that a slave ship, sailing under another flag would have been permitted to come in and out of our ports with slaves aboard, even though the ship masters were to agree that the slaves would not be compelled to work while within the three-mile limit. Neither would pirates have been permitted to come within or enter our harbors, however solemnly they might have promised to refrain from piracy while under jurisdiction.

"There is no more reason why we should be timid about the enforcement of our Constitution and our laws on the liquor traffic against nations that openly use their flags for the protection of the liquor traffic and for the forcing of liquor upon the country.

"No nation that will permit its flag to protect a rum-runner lying just outside the three mile limit and plying its trade in an outlaw business can be trusted to compel ships entering our harbors to obey our laws while within our jurisdiction."

HARDING S PLITS HIS PARTY WIDER BY LATE APPOINTMENTS

At least three of the most recent appointments of President Harding are sure to cause further dissensions in the Republican Party—Poindexter to be Ambassador to Peru; New to be Postmaster General, and Mondell to be a member of the War Finance Corporation. Poindexter and New are both Newberry Senators. Newberry and Newberryism were overwhelmingly defeated and rebuked at the polls last November, and the honest rank and file of the Republicans who voted against Newberryism in their party receive from the President only a slap in the face for the good work they did at the polls to redeem their party from the blight of Newberryism. Senator New's appointment will still further widen the factional breach in the Republican party of Indiana, but it must be said that recognition of the New faction gives less offense to the public than if the Beveridge-Watson faction had been recognized. But Indiana apparently has cast its lot in with the Democratic Party, so that "whether Rodrigo kill Cassio or Cassio kill Rodrigo it all makes the country's gain."

The appointment of Mondell, late Republican floor leader to the War Finance Corporation is an affront especially to the farmers, and an approval of the worst failure as a party leader in the annals of Congress. Mondell has been the chief stumbling block to the passage of the most important agricultural legislation. He was branded by the late Col. Roosevelt as a foe of the

conservation of natural resources, to which the country is committed, and it was Mondell in collusion with "Lame Duck" Phil Campbell, Chairman of the Rules Committee, who prevented action looking to cheaper fertilizer for the farmers.

The appointment of Gen. Hines to be Director of the Veterans Bureau has stirred up the American Legion, but anyone, of course, was an improvement on Col. Forbes.

At the end of the first year of President Harding's administration, it found itself upon the rocks. At the end of the second year, it looks as if there would be little or nothing to salvage from the wreck.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS By N. P. Houx.

We are feeling a little better, thank you, but we still see little devils and hobgoblins at night, and expect to see them for several nights yet, or until Old Flu turns us loose and quits the game of trying to freeze us out. He is a hefty old cuss, and when he gets a good grip on you it is hard to shake him off. We are living in hopes of finally succeeding, though.

An Abilene woman has proven the value of advertising. A thief broke into her home and extracted therefrom valuable jewelry. An advertisement placed in a local paper requesting return of the stolen gems with no questions asked quickly brought results. The valuables were restored intact.—Denison Herald.

Believe we will try it, so here goes. If the scoundrel (Old Flu) who purloined our appetite will please send it back we will not only ask no questions, but will also give him a nice tip.

Men have surpassed themselves in the past few years in inventing things. Man now skims through the air with all the ease of a bird. He swims under the waters of the sea with all the aplomb of a fish. He can talk to his fellowman over a distance of thousands of miles without the aid of wires. He can lie in bed on Sunday morning and listen to a good sermon without having to chip in when the collection plate is passed. He has found a substitute for nearly all the necessities of life. He hitches gasoline to his disk plow and lets old Beck run riot in the pasture. Man has done all these things, and many more too numerous to mention, and still he is afflicted with the long sessions of the legislature and stands as helpless as Adam when he faces the realities of life at two o'clock in the morning. He can't invent an excuse his wife will believe.—Mineral Wells Index.

How about putting in a little time trying to invent a wife that will believe your ghost stories?

A bill introduced in the Oklahoma Legislature would require all persons engaged in newspaper work in the way of handling copy for publication to pass an examination before a state

board and be subject to a license fee of ten dollars. A law framed along similar lines to be applied to candidates for lawmaking bodies would go a great deal farther toward protecting the public from injustice and oppression sought to be avoided by the newspaper license measure.—Denison Herald.

Looks like some people engaged in the newspaper business have about all the license they need. They say about what they please, and usually get by with it whether it is the whole truth or not. Present company excepted, or course.

One trouble with the English language as she is "wrote and spoke" in this day and time is that words—which are the vehicles of thought—are so clumsily put together that they often give rise to speculation and doubt and sometimes to serious trouble. A case in point comes under our observation. Sam Miller, paragrapher of the Mineral Wells Index, a few days ago gave an expression to this cryptic declaration: "No, we do not dance. We have two good and sufficient reasons for not doing so. They are our feet."

There are two things quite clearly conveyed in Mr. Miller's statement. One is that he does not dance; the other that he has two reasons for not skipping the light fantastic. It is perhaps equally clear that his two feet make up the two reasons for the deficiency in this accomplishment. But why? Therein lies the chief delinquency in Mr. Miller's statement. Are his feet too large to admit of indulgence in the terpsicorean pastime? If not, are they beset with bunions? If these two guesses are incorrect mayhaps he is pigeon-toed or web-footed. But we give this guessing contest up with the suggestion to Mr. Miller that hereafter he devote more attention to clarity of statement while doling out

his daily dish of paragraphs.—Terrell Transcript.

We do not recall just what sort of feet Sam Miller has, but most any feet will do to dance the kind of steps they use nowadays. Just need a girl and the jazz band and when the music (?) starts all you have to do is to take a step forward, one backward and then side step, and just keep up the movement and you will be rated as an accomplished dancer. Folks don't dance now, they just walk to the music and mighty slow walking at that.

POWELL

Seventeen derricks are up in the Powell field and work is continuing despite light rains nearly every day. Powell is assuming the aspect of a real oil field town. New shacks are going up daily and new businesses entering the field. Carpenter work is progressing on a number of new derricks and new locations are expected to be announced by several of the companies interested in the field.

The Kenner No. 1 is leading the race for the second well and should reach pay in the near future. It is now drilling at 2,820 feet. This is about 150 feet less than the depth at which the Burke discovery well came in.

The J. O. Burke No. 2 is next in depth. It is pounding away at a depth of 2,582 feet. The Springfield No. 1 is following it in depth at the 2542 foot level. The J. O. Burke No. 1 remains shut down at 1,070 feet on account of changing rotary equipment. Work of swedging the casing in the discovery well continues between the 2550-foot and 2570-foot levels.

The Springfield No. 1 is down over 1800 feet and C. L. Witherspoon almost 1,000 on the J. O. Burke No. 1. On the L. M. Warren tract Riley is down 1000 and is waiting for casing, while the Petroleum Producers is drilling night and day.

Fred Haynes is reported arranging to resume drilling on the Tool well.

Riley has hauled out the machinery from here for the Reed No. 1 on the Millican, and Pick Campbell is arranging for hauling derrick timbers to the McClung No. 1.

With the progress so far made it is only a matter of a few days till something new in the way of production will be showing.

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REMOVAL NOTICE.

I have moved my harness shop from the building next door west of the Mexio Oil and Gas office across the street to the building next door west of the City Hall, and now have a better place in which to display my stock and to take care of your harness business.

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Permanent Boarder.

News has been received at this office that Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Padgett have a fine new boarder in their home, a beautiful nine pound baby boy. Congratulations.

MAN HURT ON BIG PAVING TRACTOR

G. T. Shields, engineer on the big paving tractor, met with a painful accident Monday morning while in the discharge of his duties. In some way he got his left hand caught in the machinery and suffered several painful cuts on his forearm, which required the attention of a doctor to dress and put in shape. He will not be able to run the tractor for several days, but is still on duty, bossing the scrapper gang on the work.

J. G. McNeese of Dallas, formerly of this city, is in the city today, shaking hands with his many friends.

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"The Flirt" showing at the National Theatre

DIRECTORS USUALLY TROD HARD PATHS

Where do motion picture directors come from?

Certainly there are directors, and surely they come from somewhere, but no one actually "saw" a director in the process of entering the profession.

A director appears at a studio, and those superstitious people who are always anxious to see a dead donkey, or a red-headed "cullud pusson," or some rarity of nature, rejoice and say:

"Ah, here is a man who is starting to be a director."

Then some one hails the stranger and recalls that he directed at least a dozen pictures at other studios and that he is a full-fledged director.

Hobart Henley, the Universal director of "The Flirt," thinks that most directors come from the stage, where they were either actors or technical experts. Henley himself began his dramatic career as a stage player, appearing with stock companies in Cincinnati, Cleveland and Buffalo immediately after his graduation from the University of Ohio. He became a leading man when the movies ceased to flicker and broken hearts as a screen matinee idol for several years.

By a gradual transition he became a director, although he says that he doesn't know exactly how, where or why. His early pictures paved the way for "Too Fat to Fight," "The Gay Old Dog," "Guilty Love," "Society Snobs," and then "Star Dust."

His greatest work, critics say, is his direction of "The Flirt," in which he has animated Booth Tarkington's vivid novel of American life as a Universal-Jewel production.

Local playgoers who are familiar with Henley's record as a director will be particularly interested in seeing the best example of his work when "The Flirt" opens at the National Theatre today.

APPEALING FILM SCORES A HIT AT THE NATIONAL THEATRE

There is a new photoplay at the National Theatre this week that will appeal to every one. It is a film dramatization of Booth Tarkington's famous story, "The Flirt," with which thousands are familiar as the book was one of the best sellers of its period. This picture is especially recommended for:

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Fathers like John Madison, who are:

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Mothers like Mrs. Madison, who would:

Rather do the work herself than fight about it.

"The Flirt" filmed at Universal City under the direction of Hobart Henley. It is offered by Carl Laemmle as the year's most appealing blend of laughter and tears, and lives up to all its advance notices.

Cora tolerated her family. Her father was a shabby old fellow who preferred to be honest rather than rich, and her mother was a gentle old lady who would rather do the dishes herself than ask Cora to spoil her manicure.

Then, too, there was Laura, the sister; Sam, the older brother; Hedrick, the little pest of a kid brother; Sam, the brother-in-law who ceased being a plumber when Cora thought up the title "Sanitary Engineer," and as many others as Cora could keep out of fist-fights on the veranda.

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A high wind carrying smoke and burning embers, swirled around offices where the phone girls were working. Firemen handicapped by a severe storm, were able through heroic efforts to confine the blaze to the Times building, occupied principally by stores and small manufacturing plants. The loss was approximately \$100,000.

ENGLISHMEN ACTIVE IN KOSSE DISTRICT

Information has reached here that Corley Brothers of Cardiff, England, have taken out a permit to do business in the Kosse section. J. G. Davis is the State agent. Headquarters are at Kosse. The capital of the company is said to be \$4,601,250.

In the current issue of the Fairfield Recorder, "Local Items Thirty Years Ago" appear. One of the items is as follows: "Mr. J. C. Henderson has put a fine hack on the mail line, and is now making good time between Fairfield and Mexia."

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

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When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it may mean you have been eating foods which create acids, says a well-known authority. An excess of such acids overwork the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and sluggish. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels, removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, waste scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

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Patterson's Column



This is the second of my face to face talks with friends and customers. Some of you doubtless read yesterday's article and more of you will read them from day to day.

Those who pass up these articles will miss something worth while, for I shall tell some interesting things about a business that is one of the oldest in the world and one about which the buying public is more ignorant of than perhaps any other line of merchandise.

To begin with, I am not a Boomer in this State. My father was a merchant in Waco before Sangers came there, and my mother was born in Galveston.

I was born at Comanche Springs, later called Coke, a little village halfway between Waco and Gatesville, where my father also had a store. When the Santa Fe Railway crossed the Cotton Belt where it did, Coke died and McGregor was born.

All this was some several years ago. Just how long ago, you may guess when I tell you that Pat Neff was winning declamatory prizes in school—Tom Connally, now Congressman was the champion "Kid" cotton picker of the community; Crate Dalton formerly Mexia lawyer, was a playmate, and Owen Friend Watkins, Post Laureate of Mexia, and Arthur A. Graves, now Major General U. S. Army were "turning squirrels" along Leon River bottoms. We all lived in neighboring communities.

Old timers will recall that ammunition was scarce, and that it took skill and time to load a shot gun in those days so we made sure of our squirrels by using a "turner."

There: I have used all my space in reminiscence. Tomorrow I shall talk strictly about the JEWELRY BUSINESS which is what I am in, right here in Mexia and "Every day in every way my business is getting BETTER AND BETTER."—Thank you.

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- First Assignment—Monday, First Week**
 No. 1386 Clell Prestidge vs. H. C. Caulfield et al.
 No. 2404 A. H. & T. C. R. R. Co. vs. F. W. Heitman.
 No. 2581 Will Echols vs. Roby Echols.
 No. 2878 Floyd Dancer et al vs. Mary Stevens et al.
 No. 3071 Mrs. Nona Roark et al vs. J. J. Beckham et al.
Second Assignment—Thursday, First Week
 No. 2424 Mrs. Clyde Combs et al vs. N. W. Pierce et al.
 No. 2592 Richard & Scott vs. Mexia-LaSalle Oil Co. et al.
 No. 2593 B. F. McFall vs. Mrs. H. L. Houx et al.
 No. 2764 Annie Matthews vs. Will Wright.
 No. 2706 H. C. Roller vs. Lee Hampton et al.
 No. 2800 R. T. Bell vs. Clem-Johnson Lumber Co.
 No. 2873 Fred Carter et al vs. Chas. F. Noble et al.
 No. 2931 Berry-Barnett Gro. Co. vs. J. G. Edwards.
 No. 3802 Mrs. R. C. Robertson et al vs. P. P. Brown et al.
 No. 3182 City of Kosse vs. B. W. Couch et al.
 No. 3209 U. S. Bond & Mtg. Co. vs. Fred M. Vaughn et al.
 No. 3242 J. L. Thompson et al vs. W. A. Spivey et al.
 No. 3269 State of Texas vs. Jas F. Daviss.
 No. 3284 W. M. Wagner et ux vs. Samuel Stone et al.
 No. 3306 Hercules Supply Co. vs. Uniform Gas & Pet. Co.
Third Assignment—Monday, Second Week
 No. 2402 Columbus Wadkins et al vs. Nancy Rakestraw.
 No. 2741 W. R. Hamms, Ss. vs. Joseph Danciger.
 No. 2744 Roy B. Goodell sv. O. N. Jaye et al.
 No. 2818 Ike Giden et al vs. Joseph Danciger.
 No. 2834 O. H. Foster vs. G. W. Friend.
 No. 2991 Joseph Danciger vs. Geo. E. Smith et al.
 No. 3153 Mrs. A. Louella Ross vs. F. B. McElroy et al.
 No. 3167 A. T. Schulz vs. Palace Drug Store
 No. 3244 J. B. Douglas Jr. vs. J. F. Springfield.
Fourth Assignment—Thursday, Second Week
 No. 2652 A. A. Vestal vs. Mrs. J. S. Phillips.
 No. 2556 Wm. Young vs. Juraco Oil Co. et al.
 No. 2584 J. W. Ray vs. en. Tex. L. L. and W. Co.
 No. 2729 W. R. Pickering Lbr. Co. vs. C. T. Higgins et al.
 No. 2773 J. E. Hintz et al vs. C. T. Higgins et al.
 No. 2805 J. Sanford Smith et al vs. C. J. Spencer et al.
 No. 2898 L. J. Ingram vs. J. E. McE Bennett et al.
 No. 2943 Jones & Frazier vs. Emmett Boyd.
 No. 2975 C. V. Wheeler et al vs. Mabel O'Connor et al.
 No. 2993 Carey McElroy et al vs. Elbert McElroy.
 No. 3024 J. C. Eaves vs. Bud Kerzee.
 No. 3033 John Cain & Son vs. T. & B. V. R. R. Co.
 No. 3060 Ralph Harrison vs. Sam Allen.
 No. 3073 G. E. Quillen vs. Homer Ford.
 No. 3079 Harry W. Stevens vs. Henry Alexander.
 No. 3092 C. T. Higgins vs. D. H. Dorsett.
 No. 3118 O. P. Coffin vs. A. T. Schulz et al.
 No. 3223 C. N. Tipton et al vs. Willie Pierce et al.

CRIMINAL CASES

- First Assignment—Monday, Third Week**
 No. 907 The State of Texas vs. Wyatt Cogdell, S. V.
 No. 800 The State of Texas vs. Sam Kirkendale.
 No. 841 The State of Texas vs. John Ferrell.
 No. 865 The State of Texas vs. L. A. Boyd.
 No. 873 The State of Texas vs. Will Green.
 No. 875 The State of Texas vs. Jim Crabtree.
 No. 881 The State of Texas vs. Wilmer Garven.
 No. 886 State of Texas vs. Guy Andrews & Noel Andrews.
 No. 888 The State of Texas vs. Mrs. W. N. Lowery.
 No. 940 The State of Texas vs. Everett Williams.
 No. 958 The State of Texas vs. Oscar D. Lafferty.
 No. 976 The State of Texas vs. Will Kelly.
 No. 977 State of Texas vs. J. J. Patterson & Fred Jackson.
 No. 1007 The State of Texas vs. Lee Birbeck.
 No. 902 The State of Texas vs. O. E. Moore.
Sixth Assignment—Thursday, Third Week
 No. 972 The State of Texas vs. Jim Maynes, S. V.
 No. 805 State of Texas vs. Theo & D.E. Strain & Geo. Tittle
 No. 900 State of Texas vs. Lee Andrews et al.
 No. 901 State of Texas vs. B. F. Preston.
 No. 905 State of Texas vs. W. W. Lumsden.
 No. 908 State of Texas vs. Henry Strain.
 No. 913 State of Texas vs. Bob Brown.
 No. 915 State of Texas vs. S. R. Ayres.
 No. 920 State of Texas vs. W. O. & Fred Williams.
 No. 921 State of Texas vs. Heron White.
Seventh Assignment—Monday, Fourth Week
 No. 1012 State of Texas vs. Luther Lauderdale & Roy Ren-
 S. V.
 No. 923 State of Texas vs. H. P. and Fred Williams.
 No. 924 State of Texas vs. oonas Allman.
 No. 926 State of Texas vs. Will & Jim Curl.
 No. 928 State of Texas vs. Albert Tatum.
 No. 929 State of Texas vs. Roy Brown.
 No. 931 State of Texas vs. W. E. Decker.
Eighth Assignment—Thursday, Fourth Week
 No. 662 State of Texas vs. James Curry.
 No. 935 State of Texas vs. R. M. Turk & D. L. Mathews.
 No. 936 State of Texas vs. D. L. Mathews.
 No. 937 State of Texas vs. C. H. Crighton.
 No. 939 State of Texas vs. Ernest Taggart.
 No. 950 State of Texas vs. L. D. Collins.
 No. 955 State of Texas vs. Dick Tucker.
 No. 849 State of Texas vs. Eubanks and Bryant.
 No. 973 State of Texas vs. J. J. Pitts & V. A. Johnson.
 No. 1013 State of Texas vs. Major White.
 No. 1015 State of Texas vs. J. J. Pitts.

**WHAT I LIKE AND WHAT I DON'T
LIKE ABOUT MY HOME TOWN**

By HENRY ELLIS,
Editor Denison (Texas) Daily Herald
In Dallas News

In relating "What I like and what I don't like about my home town" I prefer to deal with the proposition inversely and speak of its imperfections first and the things which, in my judgement, commend it last. In adapting this course a two-fold motive impels. First, it will

require but a minimum amount of space to tell of conditions which to me appear in an unfavorable light, and, second, that the discussion be relieved of its unpleasant features as hurriedly as possible and for the time forgotten. In speaking of the shortcomings of Denison, those who know me will acquit me of the charge of lacking in civic pride and loyalty. I am one

of those who, by both inclination and training firmly believe that I live in the best State in the Union, the best town in the State and that my side of the street is superior to the other side, what is more, I am prepared to offer proof in substantiation should anyone be so bold as to challenge the statement. Being thus impressed, it is with no little difficulty that I bring myself to a consideration of matters that have even a tendency to detract from the accuracy of the declaration contained in the preceding sentence. But since perfection is not of this mundane sphere, certainly we can point out the rough places known to exist without doing violence to one's faith and confidence in the superior advantages possessed by the community overshadowing in importance all that might be urged against it.

Gateway to Texas.

As the map indicates, Denison is one of the principal gateways to Texas—to say that it is the most important gateway would not be overstating the proposition. It is at Denison that the visitor to the State catches his first glimpse of imperial Texas, for while the boundary line is two and one-half miles north, marked by the bed of Red River, the route lies through the valley which extends to within a few hundred yards of the station. Therefore, it is at Denison that the stranger obtains his first impression of the wonderful empire whose fabulous resources have attracted the eyes of the world. And since first impressions are said to be the most lasting, it is important that nearness and not distance should lend enchantment to the view. It has been said that Denison is a one street town—and I can not deny the harsh impeachment. That is principally what I don't like about Denison. Denison has, I might say boasts, of a Main Street—not the street made famous by Sinclair Lewis in his celebrated novel—fortunately we are too busy to indulge in frivolous gossip characterizing that work of fiction. Main street is the principal business street in Denison, extending from Paw Paw hill on the east to the far-flung Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway terminals on the west—approximately three miles. The Union Station is located on Main street and naturally the traveler associates with the town ideas that go with a one street municipality. Appearances wholly fail to impress the uninformed with the commercial, industrial and civic greatness of the city and he departs with an entirely erroneous idea concerning its importance.

I don't like that feature about my town and would change it. I hope yet to wield some influence along that line by inducing distribution of business concerns and institutions along other streets where locations are equally as ideal. In other words, I want to see Denison "spread herself," for she is capable in every way of covering a huge nest of eggs that, in the fullness of time, will hatch out healthy chicks in the form of various

business success, commercial achievements and civic beauty.

Town With a Vision.

While Denison is one of the oldest cities in North Texas, it is not a town without a vision. A half century ago it was established by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway and made its headquarters in Texas. From the time the town was laid out it had a vision of city importance and municipal greatness. And while it has had its periods of adversity characterized by industrial strife, it has never lost faith or hope in ultimately attaining the goal of its early and yet fond ambitions. This peculiar faith of Denisonians in the serenity and future of their home town is most impressive. It attracted me when I decided to cast my lot with the people here. I prefer living with and among people who through storm and sunshine and with unfaltering trust in what the future has in store for them continue the onward march to business progress and municipal glory.

Denison derives its chief support from industries located here—the Missouri, Kansas & Texas division shops and allied interests being the most outstanding. In normal times the Katy pay roll alone averages \$2,000 per month, which together with other institutions employing labor enables the town to harvest a crop every month, or twice a month as it were, under the semi-monthly pay-off system. This keeps plenty of money in circulation practically all the time—and I particularly like that about "my home town." Having lived in agricultural communities where we had money only one season of the year, and therefore enabled to pay the preacher and the doctor when the cotton crop was gathered and sold, the change was not only pleasing for me, but helpful to the minister and doctor as well.

Railroad Shows Faith

The Katy also believes in Denison. It is now completing new terminal facilities at this point, which will overshadow anything of the kind west of the Mississippi and south of St. Louis at a cost of \$3,500,000. This money practically has all been spent in Denison and is the forerunner of still further and more valuable improvements

that will add to the commercial greatness of the city. It means that its population, given at 1920 by the last census, but which in reality was 20,225, counting territory not included in the corporate limits but lying adjacent, will double in the next ten years. That means more and better business progress and municipal development that will make better times. I like the faith the Katy Railroad management has in Denison, for it means its continuance as the most important railroad center in the State.

I like Denison for having located here the largest cotton mill in the State and the largest peanut factory in the world, the annual output of each exceeding \$1,000,000 both of which afford employment to large numbers of citizens, men and women. I like Denison for its public parks, to which the city and its civic association give painstaking attention, one of them being located in the heart of the city and the other at the edge of town, consisting of 225 acres—the gift of a home town philanthropist—W. B. Munson Sr., whose benefactions in this and other respects will benefit posterity. I like to be a fellow-citizen

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Schools and Churches

I like Denison for its magnificent schools and churches and the spirit that supports and maintains both. Its high school building, erected at a cost of \$250,000, would be a credit to any college campus and its corps of teachers distinguished among Texas' best educators. I like Denison for its magnificent waterworks system, capable of supplying the requirements of a city of 50,000 population. I like Denison for its great white way that illumines its Main street with the bril-

liance of day on the darkest night. And lastly, I like Denison for the great soul of its people, who know neither class or distinction, who regard rank as but the "Guinea's stamp," and believe a "man's a man for a' that." They are content for every man to go each his way, so long as he does not infringe upon the rights of his neighbor, and they resent with all the power of liberty-loving freemen, any invasion of what they consider to be the exclusive domain of personal freedom.

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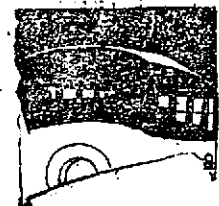
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WANTED TO BUY—A large safe or steel cabinet for cash. Must be cheap and in good condition. Phone 75. 1244E

OIL PROPOSITIONS—G

PRODUCTION ROYALTIES—Will buy producing royalties in the Mexia field. Room 16 Farmers State Bank building or Box 736, Mexia, Texas. Zeno King. 2430G

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WILL TRADE one or two corner lots in Grammar School Addition for lumber or anything that can be moved. J. E. Williamson, Box 641, Mexia. 1342I

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FOR SALE—Light rotary rig complete at your own price. Phone Mr. Moore with Ross & Green. Phone 456 for particulars. No reasonable offer will be turned down. 1344J

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FOR RENT—Reasonable, store room 23x30 feet, formerly Southland Barber Shop. Best alley entrance in city, alley now being paved. Excellent location for small business. Apply Patterson Jewelry Co. 846K

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished houses. D. A. Kerzee. Phone 362-W. 723 E. Commerce St. 1243K

FOR RENT—Two room unfurnished house. Lights and water included. \$15.00 per month. Apply 818 East Commerce. 1242K

FOR RENT—Two room furnished house, lights and water furnished. \$20.00 per month. Apply 818 East Commerce. 1242K

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

TWO AND THREE room furnished apartments. Lights, gas and water. Rent reasonable. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. 2430L

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FOR RENT—Three room unfurnished in rear of Opera House, suitable for any business. See J. H. Kaufman. 1143M

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WE HAVE moved one block North of City National Bank. See us before buying or selling Second Hand Furniture. Auction Store 117 East Palestine Street. 947P

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AN ORDINANCE.

An ordinance prohibiting the running loose and at large of any animal of the dog kind on the streets, avenues, highways, or other public places in the City of Mexia without being muzzled, declaring same to be a public nuisance, describing the kind of muzzle required, defining the duty of police officers in connection with the enforcement of this ordinance, providing that dogs shall be destroyed under certain conditions excepting certain dogs, providing dogs shall be redeemed, declaring an emergency and providing a penalty.

Be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas: SECTION 1. The being and running loose and at large of any animal of the dog kind in the streets, avenues, highways or other public places in the City of Mexia without being muzzled as herein provided, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and it shall hereafter be unlawful for the owner or harbinger of any animal of the dog kind, or any person having custody or control of any animal of the dog kind, to suffer or permit such animal to run loose or at large in the streets, avenues, highways or other public places in the City of Mexia, unless the mouth of such animal is muzzled in such a manner as to protect persons from being bitten.

SECTION 2. The muzzle herein required to be used shall be made of some kind of suitable material, which possesses sufficient strength to securely muzzle the mouth of such animal of the dog kind so as to prevent such animal from biting, and said muzzle shall be so fastened in such a manner that the same shall securely keep said dog from biting persons.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police or any police officer to cause to be taken up or impounded all animals of the dog kind loose or at large, in violation of the terms of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. The owner of any animal of the dog kind, impounded as aforesaid shall have the right to redeem the same upon the payment to the Chief of Police, or officer in charge of the pound the sum of one dollar and fifty (\$1.50) cents for each animal so redeemed. The sum paid to the Chief of Police shall be paid by him into the City Treasury. The time for removing said animal shall be twenty-four hours after their capture and impounding.

All such animals not redeemed within such time shall be destroyed by the Chief of Police or any police officer authorized by him to do so.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this ordinance relating to the muzzling of dogs shall not apply to any animals of the dog kind that is being lead, providing said dog wears a good strong collar to which is attached a rope or strap of sufficient strength to hold such dog, or to any dog following country men or strangers through the City when they do not stop.

SECTION 6. Any person violating

any of the terms and provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction therefor shall be fined in any sum not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars; and each and every day that any animal of the dog kind is permitted to run at large or loose in violation of the terms of this ordinance shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 7. The fact that there is no adequate ordinance regulating the running at large of animals of the dog kind, and the further fact that there is at this time many vicious dogs running at large affected with hydrophobia or some other disease creates an emergency and a public imperative necessity; that the rule requiring ordinances to be read on more than one day be and the same is hereby suspended, and that this ordinance take effect from and after its passage and it is so ordained.

Passed and approved the 6th day of March, A. D., 1923.

E. WATSON, Mayor.
Attest: JAMES E. McELROY, City Secretary. 12410T.

FIRST HAT IN GOVERNOR FOR 1924 RING DIXON'S

HOUSTON, Texas, March 13.—George W. Dixon of Houston, whose charges against the Texas Penitentiary system two years ago caused the legislature to prosecute an investigation and to recommend an entire change in our penal system, has made formal announcement that he will be a candidate for governor of Texas in the July primaries in 1924.

"I feel it my solemn duty to take this step in behalf of the public welfare and the good name of our state," Mr. Dixon declared in making announcement of his candidacy. "After the long hard fight I made in order to accomplish so little progress, I would feel myself guilty of moral cowardice if I did not use all the power at my command to accomplish the object of that fight. I believe that in administering our state penitentiaries, we should follow the constitution and laws of our state and not sacrifice the public welfare to the political expediency of men whose only ambition is to enjoy the honors of office. I believe we should follow the leadership of those whose purposes are sincere and whose motives are unselfish, as shown by their public labors.

"The very politicians who are now advocating changes in the penal system of our state, did all in their power to block my efforts to accomplish these very reforms at the beginning of this fight. Are their motives now sincere? Are their purposes untainted with selfish interest?"

"I have no desire for the honor of office. I am prompted only by an earnest devotion to those principles for which our forefathers gave so freely of their blood and treasure. I have no interest to serve but the public interest. I am not backed by any faction, sect, or creed. My plans comprehend the welfare of all our people from the most influential to the poorest and humblest citizens in the land.

My sympathies are with those who toil through summer's heat and winter's cold in the struggle for existence. I believe that our laws should be enforced against all alike, and that every citizen should have and enjoy these constitutional guarantees vouchsafed in the Bill of Rights. I believe that the welfare of all our people is paramount, and should stand above the welfare of any faction, sect or creed.

Holding steadfastly to the principles of justice and right, as God gives it to me to see the right. I shall press onward to victory or defeat. Let all who believe in justice and equality under the law give serious thought to the great problems that confront our people and be prepared, when the time comes, to choose wisely and well.

"I am a native Texan, an adherent of the protestant religion, and believe in America for Americans. My own great-grandfather led a company of infantry of the First South Carolina Volunteers in the war of American Revolution, under George Washington. It will therefore require no effort of the imagination to find where I stand with reference to the welfare of our Home-land."

Very respectfully,
GEORGE W. DIXON.

PHYSICAL CULTURE FOR MARCH

Physical Culture for March contains Bernarr MacFadden's strikingly original editorial viewpoint on the value of health in business in which he foresees the doom of the tippler and the advent of a physical culture epoch.

Dr. Frank Crane writes of "The Fountain of Eternal Youth" and tells how old age is an unnecessary evil. Other features are "What Will Dr. Copeland Do in the Senate?" "The Life Story of Colonel S. O. Bigney, who is Sixty seven Years Young." An interview with Secretary of War Weeks on the need of building a "Sturdier Manhood." "What Emile Coue Means to Physical Culture," an article by Dr. Edwin F. Bowers entitled "How're Your Glands Today?" and an article by Annie Riley Hale "What Do Doctors Really Know?" There are many striking pictures of "The Body Beautiful" and exercises for keeping it so. Also fiction stories by John A. Coryell "The Man Who Lost His Wife" and "The Glim of Wings" by Cleveland Moffet. All in all this number should hold your interest from cover to cover.

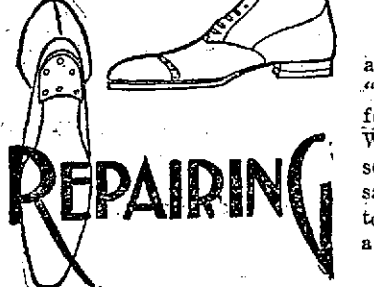
SHE KNOWS PAPA

"Mummer," said the restless little girl calling from her crib at two in the morning, "I can't go to sleep. Won't you tell me a fairy story."

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SPEAKING OF FRUIT

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NOTHING TO CROW ABOUT

Rooster:—"My wife has just laid an egg. My wife—"
Fish:—"Well, what of it? My wife has just laid three thousand and you don't hear me crowing about it."—Farm Life.

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the City Hall in Mexia, Texas, April 7th, 1923, for the purpose of electing four trustees for the Mexia Independent School District to serve the ensuing two years. All qualified voters residing within the limits of the said Mexia Independent School District are entitled to vote in said election. Mr. W. B. Kendrick is appointed manager to hold this election.

Witness my hand at Mexia, Texas, this March 7th, 1923.

David Murphy, Secretary, Board of Trustees Mexia Independent School District. 11-16-3.

H. & T. C.

Northbound.
No. 19—3:50 a. m.; Denison and Dallas.
No. 17—4:35 a. m.; Ft. Worth via Dallas.
No. 37—4:55 a. m.; Dallas.
No. 15—3:55 p. m.; Ft. Worth and Dallas.
No. 31—12:50 p. m.; Mexia to Dallas

Southbound
No. 18—1:37 a. m.; Houston.
No. 16—11:45 a. m. San Antonio and Houston.
No. 38—11:35 p. m.; San Antonio and Austin.
No. 20—11:59 p. m.; Houston.
No. 32—10:00 a. m. Mexia.
No. 345—From Navasota; 3:45 p. m.
No. 346—To Navasota; 7:00 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Mayor—
ERNEST WATSON (Re-election sought)
For City Commissioner:
Rex FORREST
W. C. WILSON
(Political Advertisement)

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
STATE OF TEXAS,
Limestone County,
City of Mexia.
By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Mexia, Texas, notice is hereby given that a general election will be held on the

3rd day of April, A. D., 1923, in and within the boundaries of the City of Mexia, Texas, at the City Hall in said City, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Commissioners for said City, each of whom shall hold office for a term of two years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

And W. O. Miller is hereby appointed presiding officer of said election, and he shall select two Judges and two Clerks to assist him in holding the same; and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding other elections.

In testimony whereof witness my official signature this 1st day of March, A. D., 1923.

E. WATSON, Mayor,
City of Mexia, Texas.

2430T.

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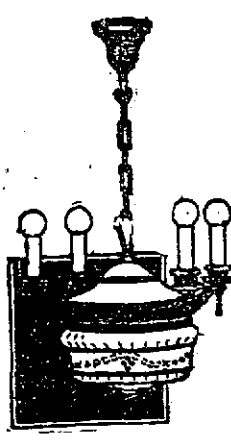
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MRS. W. A. EVERETT TO INTRODUCE NEW ESTABLISHMENT TO MEXIA WITH STYLE SHOW AT OPERA HOUSE HERE

Wednesday night at the Opera House, an extra attraction will be presented in the form of a Style Show by Mrs. W. A. Everett who will on the following morning open up a new business in this city. The new concern will be an exclusive Ladies Ready-to-Wear and Millinery shop. The firm name will be Mrs. W. A. Everett. The location of the business is the first door West of the Prendergast Smith Bank Building, in the heart of the business district, on East Commerce.

At present the new stock of goods is being placed in most attractive fashion in the building and Mr. Everett stated this morning that everything would be in readiness Thursday morning when the doors open and the public is invited to call in to inspect or to patronize one of the most up to date establishments of its kind to be found in this section of Texas.

At the style show Wednesday evening at the Opera House, many handsome articles of all descriptions of interest and becomingness to Mi-Lady will be exhibited in true Style Show fashion. Some of the most charming of the displays will be direct from the Style Show recently held in Dallas. They were secured, Mr. Everett says, not for Style Show purposes but for the trade and were accordingly purchased the morning after the Style Show there. They will appear "for sale" the next morning at the place of business of the firm here.

Mrs. Everett has been in business in Teague for the past eight years and she yet maintains a place there. She is well known to this section and will enter business here no stranger to a great many in the city and community.

Lower Rents Are Predicted All Over The Country

KANSAS CITY, Mo. March 13.—Lower rents for millions of residents in all sections of the country were predicted here today on the basis of a nation-wide survey of housing conditions.

Relief from the housing shortage as a result of increased building activity will bring lower rentals by spring, according to T. J. Nolan, divisional manager of the F. W. Dodge Corporation.

"Figures gathered by our representatives in a national study of building activity, show a general increase in construction work, and indicate a downward trend in rental values which should be felt throughout the Nation by spring," Nolan declared today.

"Building contractors did 33 per cent more business in February than during the same month a year ago. More than \$300,000,000 in construction contracts were awarded contractors in various parts of the country and 40 per cent of the building program is residential.

"Contractors are building more homes because there has been an unprecedented demand for relief from high rents. Contractors have reduced their overhead costs, increased the efficiency of their working forces and launched one of the greatest building booms in history.

"While the boom is simultaneous in all sections, it is most active in the Middle West and South, where building plans are being rushed forward as fast as materials and labor can be secured."

"In addition to contracts actually awarded nearly \$700,000,000 worth of building yet to be contracted for was contemplated by various financial interests, contractors reported last month."

February construction contracts in the Middle West amounted to \$73,996,000, according to Nolan. Of this amount, 37 per cent was for residential buildings.

Southern States reported contracts totaling \$51,202,000 of which 25 per cent was for residential or apartment buildings.

"The general trend is toward increasing activity in building operations, with prospects of continued high records in construction work which is certain to bring about lower rental values," Nolan stated.

Giant of Argentine Wins Battle With Bill Brennan N. Y.

By HENRY L. FARRELL (United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, March 13.—With a right arm that hangs on him like a fence post and swings with the effect of a battering ram, Luis Angel Firpo, the giant of the Argentine, knocked out Bill Brennan, the former Chicago heavyweight, in the twelfth round last night.

It was a bout arranged to show what the South American giant could do and the verdict around the gathering places of the mitt profession this morning was:

"That fellow's going somewhere."

Firpo acted in the last round much like the bulls that his fellow country-

Doings At State Capital Possibly No Extra Session

AUSTIN, Texas, March 13.—Governor Neff sent a message to the legislature advising if the members saw fit to adjourn sine die immediately after reconvening in special session Thursday morning he would not call them back until the middle of April or June first. The message is in reply to a concurrent resolution adopted by the legislature yesterday requesting the governor to postpone the special session. The governor does not revoke the proclamation for a special session next Thursday. He said that ten days ago when the legislature adopted the sine die resolution to adjourn March 14th he definitely decided that the legislature should be reconvened immediately to pass adequate revenue measures and make necessary appropriations.

Announcement of the appointment of R. B. Walthal of Nacogdoches as chief supervisor of the oil and gas division of the railroad commission, effective March 15th, was made today by the commission. Walthal has been private secretary to Governor Neff since Jan. 1921.

The Frisco-I. & G. N. merger bill was passed finally by the Senate this morning, 27 to 1. Bowers voted against the bill. The bill passed is the same as it came from the House.

French Threaten To Shoot Hostage If Attacks Don't Stop

BERLIN, March 13.—The French have threatened to shoot the Mayor of Buer, whom they hold as a hostage, if any more of the French are attacked in the Ruhr, according to reports from German sources today.

Many more arrests were effected in the disturbed area, which is held in an iron grip. An example of the French firmness is that German civilians at Buer are not permitted to walk on the sidewalks, nor to put their hands in their pockets.

Conflicting reports regarding the number of Germans killed within the last 48 hours vary from four to ten. German sources reported two civilians shot after a courtmartial last night; later dispatches made it appear the report was untrue. There was no confirmation of a report from Buer that French sentries shot three Germans for evading the curfew law.

A report from Offenburg stated 170 German families, mainly workers, were ordered to evacuate the barracks they have used as homes since the war. These people, according to the German advices, have no place to go.

Baby Is Rich And They All Want Him

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13.—A four months old baby boy, heir to his mother's \$100,000 estate, was the central figure in a sensation guardianship suit here today.

The \$100,000 baby was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles James, following the death of the mother in a maternity hospital maintained by the couple here.

B. F. Shope, wealthy banker of Dry Run, Pa., the baby's grandfather, contends he is the child's legal guardian, and seeks to set aside the decree of adoption. His petition for custody of the infant will be heard in court here this afternoon.

Shope's daughter, according to the petition, left her home in Dry Run shortly before the birth of her baby.

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Germany Has Great Scheme Reestablish The Poor Mark

BERLIN, March 13.—The German Government's new-reparations scheme which will be presented as soon as a favorable opportunity occurs, had progressed today to the point of private conferences with industrialists to ascertain the guarantees the latter will be able to give in support of the plan.

In connection with work on its new

MORE IRISH REBELS EXECUTED TODAY

DUBLIN, March 13.—Six Irish rebels were executed today, one at Cork, two at Mullingar, and three at Wexford.

Henry Mitchell is on the "Flu" list this week.

NEW ORLEANS.—As a result of too much training, Babe Ruth's ankles "have" gone back on him," and Manager Huggins has ordered the big slugger to take it easier until he entirely recovered from his recent illness. Bob Meusel came to an agreement on terms leaving Herb Pennock the only player not under contract.

ST. PETERSBURG.—With the exception of Cruise and Lavan, all of the Boston Braves are in camp here or on their way. Stuffie McInnis is expected tomorrow.

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Satin Oxford

—Black satin oxford with suede collar and cuffs; low walking heel, suitable for every occasion. Priced—**\$8.50**



Sport Oxford

—Made of "Buck" with patent vamp side and spur. Very desirable for out door wear.

Ladies' Sizes, Priced—**\$4.95**

Misses' Sizes, Priced—**\$3.50**



Grey Suede Oxford

—This is a very desirable oxford for the spring season. Made in a very pretty style of grey suede trimmed with patent leather; has low walking heel. Priced—**\$8.50**



Brown Calf Oxford

—Brown Calf Oxford neatly trimmed with suede of taupe; one strap and low heel. Priced—**\$6.50**



Black Kid Oxford

—This is an unusual value. Neatly made black kid oxford with low walking heel. Priced—**\$3.95**

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